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PANT PAINTS MOTERA RED

Rishabh Pant cracked his first hundred at home to steer India clear of trouble against England on the second day of 4th Test

BOSS MAN
The wicket-keeper batsman started cautiously to reach his half-century off 82. He brought up 100 in the next 33 balls to help India take an 89-run lead with three wickets in hand

PARTNERSHIP
All-rounder Washington Sundar and Pant added 113 runs for the seventh wicket. They came together at 146 for 6. Sundar stayed unbeaten on 60 while Pant was out before close of play

TOP CRUMBLE
India's top-order once again failed to live up to expectations. Though Rohit Sharma played well, others including Virat Kohli, Ajinkya Rahane & Cheteshwar Pujara did not last long

ENGLAND TOIL
With a pacer short, both Ben Stokes and Jimmy Anderson worked overtime. Off-spinner Dom Bess was off mark. Skipper Joe Root had to step in to help Jack Leach share the burden

Rishabh Pant celebrates his hundred against England in the fourth Test in Ahmedabad on Friday | BCCI | P15

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THIS IS PANT'S THIRD HUNDRED IN 33 INNNINGS

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Churn as parties get battle-ready

'Insulted' TN Cong wants to fight polls alone

S KUMARESAN @ Chennai

IN what could be the end of long-time, but strained, friendship, the DMK and Congress may go separate ways in this Assembly polls. The State unit of the Congress, according to sources, wants to contest polls alone. A final decision on the matter would be taken by the party's national leadership. State Congress leaders, it is said, feel "insulted" by DMK, which is offering very few seats for the party in the alliance.

The decision was taken in an internal party meeting held on Friday, after TNCC chief, KS Alagiri, made an emotional speech. Accepting the numbers offered by DMK would amount to destroying Congress in TN, Alagiri reportedly said at the meeting. He, hence, appealed for another leader from the party to come forward to conduct talks with the DMK. In his speech, Alagiri also elaborated how the grand old party's strength kept dwindling — one election after another — since it got into an alliance with Dravidian parties.

Congress got 114 seats in 1980, in the DMK alliance. From there, the allocation plummeted to 61 in 1984, when it contested as part of the AIADMK combine. In 1989, Congress decided to contest alone and won 26 seats. By 2001, however, the number of seats contested reduced drastically to a mere 14. While elaborating these numbers, Alagiri got so emotional that he choked up, causing an uproar among those seated, who demanded that Congress contest this elections alone.

AICC in-charge, Dinesh Gundu Rao, who was present at the meeting, remained silent all through these developments. He made no attempts to placate the aggrieved cadre.

It has been learnt that the DMK leadership is planning to wait for one more day, and take a decision based on how the national leadership of Congress reacts. DMK's RS Bharathi dismissed the issue as an attempt by Congress leaders to placate unhappy aspirants.

The ripples were felt in Puducherry, where DMK — which is feeling that it's weighed down by Congress — is trying to woo NR Congress into its Secular Democratic Alliance. **P7**

Fewer minorities, 40% new faces in Didi's list

PRONAB MANDAL @ Kolkata

THE Trinamool Congress on Friday announced candidates for 291 of the 294-Assembly seats, fielding young and new faces including actors and sportspersons. TMC supremo Mamata Banerjee will fight from Nandigram in East Midnapore district.

The Gorkha Janmukti Morcha will be given three seats.

Of the 291 TMC candiates, 114 are new faces, which works out to over 39%. The party has dropped octogenerian MLAs. Finance minister Amit Mitra and technical education minister Purnendu Basu will not contest. Besides, As many as 28 sitting MLAs, including five ministers, have been left out.

"We are fielding 51 women candidates, up from 45 in 2016 Assembly elections," said Mamata. Among the candidates are nine actors, two sportspersons and a retired IPS officer.

The decision to give women more tickets is a calculated strategy to tap the rise in women vote share. "According to the final list released by the Election Commission, women voters in Bengal form 49% of the total. The gender-ratio improved from 956 in 2019 to 961," said a TMC leader

The number of minority candidates has been reduced to 40 from 57 in 2016. But at the same time, the party has given 79 tickets to those hailing from the SC community even though only 68 seats are reserved for the category. It means, SC candidates will contest on TMC tickets in 11 unreserved Assembly constituencies. Seventeen candidates from ST community have also been given tickets when Bengal has 16 reserved seats. **P10**

WHAT IS BIG BANG THEORY?
Cosmologists, astronomers and astrophysicists largely believe that the Universe was created in a massive explosion that not only created the majority of matter, but the physical laws that govern our ever-expanding cosmos. This explosion started from what is known as a singularity.

WHAT IS SINGULARITY?
It is the extremely dense and microscopic point from which an unimaginably huge explosion took place, and the Universe was born. In the fractions of the very first second of the Universe's life, immense gravity dominated physical interactions to cause the bang. This is believed to have occurred 13.8 billion years ago.

WHAT IS RED SHIFT?
Red shift, in astrophysics, is the movement of light towards the red-end of the light spectrum. This occurs when observing extremely distant celestial objects, galaxies that are moving away from us. If it is moving towards us, it is called the blue shift.

4 Indian scientists challenge 'Big Bang'

BALA CHAUHAN & NIRAD MUDUR @ Bengaluru

IN what could dramatically change the way astrophysicists look at the birth of the Universe, four Indian scientists, including one from Bengaluru, have challenged the Big Bang theory related to its origin.

The theory holds that the Universe was born out of a highly compressed, dense and microscopic point (called singularity) which exploded with a huge force some 13.8 billion years ago, resulting in everything arising from that singularity moving outwards in all directions. From this, all cosmic matter (as we know it today) was formed at different stages through time until now.

The Big Bang theory was based on observation of the 'red shift' in the light spectrum. The light wavelength emitted from an astronomical object that is moving away from us exhibits a shift in the light spectrum (VIBGYOR) towards the red end. The Big Bang theory is supported by the understanding that the shift of light towards the red band in the spectrum is continuous and uniform in nature — an indication of all matter (galaxies and all cosmic matter) moving outwards steadily, but at great speed. Working the outward movement backwards, it would mean that it all began from a single starting point in the centre of the Universe (singularity), which is how the Big Bang theory was popularised among astrophysicists.

But now, in a research paper published recently in the prestigious international journal Astronomy & Astrophysics, Prof Sisir Roy from the National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bengaluru; Arindam Mal from the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), Ahmedabad; and Sarbani Palit and Ujjwal Bhattacharya from the Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Kolkata, have revealed findings contrary to the continuous and uniform nature of movement of light towards the red band of light in the spectrum — casting doubts and challenging the Big Bang theory itself. **P7**

OTT norms need strong law to monitor content, says SC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Friday said the Centre's guidelines to regulate the functioning of digital platforms are weak as they don't offer any mechanism to block objectionable content or stipulate penal provisions for those who violate the norms. A bench headed by Justice Ashok Bhushan noted the rules were more in the form of an advisory, and not law.

"These rules do not talk about prosecution or punishment in case of a violation. It cannot be done without legislation," the bench told Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, representing the Centre.

The court was hearing a plea by Aparna Purohit, India head of Amazon Prime, for anticipatory bail in connection with FIRs against her over the controversial web series *Tandav*. There are two FIRs filed against her — one each in Greater Noida and Lucknow.

The hearing also witnessed some sharp exchanges between Mehta and senior advocate Mukul Rohatgi, representing Purohit. **P9**

EXPRESS READ

Biden appoints two more Indian-Americans

Washington: US President Joe Biden has appointed two more Indian-Americans to key positions, according to an announcement by the White House on Friday. Chiraag Bains has been made Special Assistant to the President for Criminal Justice and Pronita Gupta is Special Assistant to the President for Labour and Workers.

Urban India increasingly getting slouchy

The outcome of a comprehensive national survey in 2017-18 on the risk of Indians picking up lifestyle diseases conveyed a pretty grim picture. The takeaways:

51.7% urban adults physically inactive (30.9% in rural India)

52.4% physically inactive urban women (36.1% in rural areas)

2 SERVINGS PER DAY Average consumption of fruits and/or vegetables

5 SERVINGS WHO's recommendation

8.9 gm/day salt consumed by men

7.1 gm/day average salt intake by women

Men often took extra salt before having food

28% adults used one or other form of tobacco daily

31.7% of them were in rural areas

20.5% in urban India

21.1 years mean age of initiation of tobacco

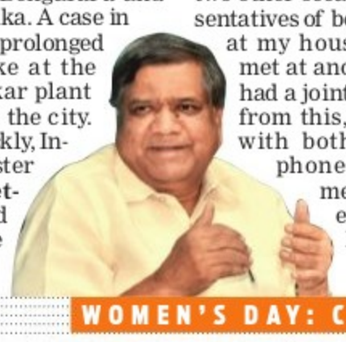
15.9% of respondents consumed alcohol, 81.1% of adults were lifetime abstainers of alcohol (97.3% women and 66.1% men) 22.2 mean age of initiation of alcohol use

40.2% of adults in the 18–69 year age group had a clustering of three or more risk factors like daily tobacco use, inadequate fruits and/or vegetable intake, insufficient physical activity etc

Labour unrest at car maker's plant ends after minister plays mediator

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

KARNATAKA has always pitched itself as a favoured investment destination and many global corporations have already set up bases in the state. However, some recent incidents of labour unrest may have dented Brand Bengaluru and Brand Karnataka. A case in point being the prolonged workers' strike at the Toyota Kirloskar plant at Bidadi near the city. But acting quickly, Industries Minister **Jagadish Shettar** mediated between the management and the striking workers and brought about a truce. The Toyota team thanked him on Friday for personally intervening and ending the labour unrest.



Explaining to *TNIE* how the impasse ended, Shettar said, "I visited the factory twice. On two other occasions, the representatives of both sides met me at my house. We had also met at another venue and had a joint meeting. Apart from this, I was in touch with both sides on the phone. The management had suspended some staffers. I expedited the inquiry and the matter has been sorted out."

The minister also said the labour issues concerning iPhone maker Wistron in Kolar district and Asian Paints in Mysuru district have also been sorted out. Regarding the workers' issues at AT&S, he said, "It has not come to my notice. If they approach me, I will intervene. Meanwhile, I will also try to find out what the problems are."

Additional Chief Secretary, Industries Department, Gaurav Gupta told TNIE, "The government has held talks at the ministerial level with the labour union and the factory management." **P4**

THREE HOSPITALISED

Shocker as foreign, Indian cadets get physical at IMA

VINEET UPADHYAY @ Dehradun

FOR the first time in the prestigious Indian Military Academy's (IMA) history, groups of Indian and foreign trainee cadets got into a major scuffle, with reports suggesting at least three Indian cadets were admitted in a military hospital here with injuries.

The IMA has ordered a probe into the incident that happened on the intervening night of March 3/4. "A case of scuffle involving Gentleman Cadets undergoing pre-commission training at Indian Military Academy, Dehradun has occurred on night 03/04 March 2021. The case is being investigated and followed up as per regulations governing the academy," said the official statement by the academy. However, there was no official word on the hospitalisation.

The two groups got physical after a heated argument. The foreign cadets were possibly from a country or countries that were part of the former Soviet Union, said sources.

Aghast IMA veterans said they couldn't recall any such flare-up in the past. Major (Retd) Masroof Raza, who was posted in the adjutant branch of the IMA from 1987-89, which deals with foreign cadets, said, "To my memory nothing of this scale has been heard since Independence. I am sure there will be an inquiry and accountability will be fixed with adverse action against those responsible."

"Minor scuffles between foreign cadets have been known but anything like this between foreign cadets and Indian cadets is unheard of till now of course," Major Raza added.

Lt Gen V K Chaturvedi (Retd) said such matters of discipline are always viewed seriously and appropriate action taken.

WOMEN'S DAY: CURTAIN RAISER

Budget to focus on women's welfare

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

AS Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa prepares to present the State Budget for 2021-22 on March 8, which also marks International Women's Day, he has promised to give priority to women's welfare, apart from laying emphasis on tourism, irrigation and Bengaluru's development.

"This time, we have decided to give more emphasis and priority to women's welfare in the budget which will be presented on International Women's Day," the CM told mediapersons during his pre-budget interaction on Friday evening.

In the light of the the severe financial constraints due to the Covid-19-induced lockdown and shortfall in revenue receipts, the CM, over the last few weeks, has held a series of meetings with ministers, senior officials, industry representatives and stakeholders from various sectors to finalise the budget proposals. The process was completed on Friday.

Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa at a pre-budget interaction with journalists in Bengaluru on Friday | EXPRESS

"We completed the exercise today and sent the budget document for printing," said the CM, who looked relaxed and satisfied with the exercise. "We will present a better budget compared to last year," he said.

During his interaction, the CM thrice spoke about laying emphasis on women's welfare in his budget. He, however, did not spell out the women-centric programmes he plans to announce on Monday. Development of the tourism sector in the state, giving push to irrigation projects and taking up infrastructure projects in the state capital will be among the priorities in the budget.

ALMANAC TODAY
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Ritu: Sishira • Masa: Magha • Paksha: Krishna • Tithi: Ashtami 9.26 pm
Nakshatra: Jyeshta 12.44 pm • Moon in Dhanur Rashi • Rahukaala: 09:00 am to 10:30am
Gulikakala: 06:00 am to 07:30 am • Yamaganda: 01:49 pm to 03:26 pm

WEATHER — MIN 17°C | MAX 34°C — FORECAST: Sunny

Sunrise 6.33 am | Sunset 6.29 pm | Moonrise 0.28 am | Moonset 12.10 am

Bengalureans say that officials must take a look at the city's roads as most of them are not motorable | EXPRESS

What ease of living? Look at our roads, say citizens

Point to poor coordination between civic agencies, tardy pace of work

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

EVEN as State Government and Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike official are patting their backs over Bengaluru ranking number one in the Ease of Living Index, many citizens have expressed their apprehensions over it.

Bengalureans point that officials must take a look at the city's roads as most of them are not motorable. Some of them are not even asphalted and some others are blocked. They add that the ones which remain are extremely dusty, only making matters worse for commuters. Residents also point out that the delay in execution of works adds to the misery.

Commuters across the city have raised many complaints with BBMP officials. The BBMP engineers, in most cases, pass the blame to BWSSB and Bescom for delay in execution of work. "Coordination should be the biggest criterion for the rating. If that is considered, the city will not even qualify. For the simple reason being there is no coordination. Avenue Road was dug up and filled after two months. Then the BBMP blamed BWSSB as they were to lay the pipes. Now the roads which have been filled up have been dug open again for underground cables to be laid," pointed out D Narayan, a shop owner.

The case of Magadi Road is no different. "We have been cut off from the city since 15 days. The BBMP was to do the road works. All the construction materials were dumped on the stretch. Now, when the BBMP agreed to asphalt it, the BWSSB has dug it open to lay pipes. The pipes have been laid, but the open stretches have not been closed. They pose a huge danger at night, because the area has no streetlights also," said P Acharaya, a resident.

Residents of OMBR Layout have been complaining about bad roads for the last two years. "The 3km road between OMBR Layout and HRBR Layout in Banaswadi has been left untarred. The BBMP officials have no interest in repairing the road even though ₹2.75 lakh was sanctioned for it," said Amith Nigli, a resident.

Similar is the plight of residents of Vasanthapura, Narayan Nagar, where the road connecting Kanakapura Road and Bannerghatta Road is left untarred for a decade. "Despite officials and politicians visiting the spot, nothing has happened till date," said Pawan N, a resident.

Bengalureans have also been complaining about the roads around CBD areas being non-motorable and closed in many places.

Palike Commissioner N Manjunatha Prasad said in many places, road works are being taken up by BBMP and many other agencies. Directions have been issued to complete all stretches before monsoon so that there are no untoward incidents, he added.

HC takes up suo motu PIL on traffic in city

Bengaluru: The Karnataka HC on Friday initiated suo motu a PIL on traffic jams caused by protests and rallies in the heart of the city. A division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice S Vishwajit Shetty directed the registry to initiate proceedings suo motu by making the state government, Police Commissioner, BBMP Commissioner and leading political parties as respondents, and place the matter before the court. The court took up the PIL on the basis of a letter written to the Chief Justice by senior HC judge Justice Aravind Kumar on March 3. He quoted a media report on hardships citizens faced due to a traffic jam caused by a protest held by anganwadi workers and others in the city on March 2. The court said that, while protesting is a fundamental right, the Supreme Court had held that the right to protest should not affect the rights of others. Referring to a newspaper report about the Ease of Living Index-2020 which judged Bengaluru as the most livable large city in India, the court said this is all the more reason for officials to ensure traffic is not affected by protests. **ENS**

Metro commuters struggle to reach stns

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

IT has been over six weeks since the first Metro line of Phase-II was launched with much fanfare along Kanakapura Road. Though residents in this part of South Bengaluru were quite eager to use it, the absence of last-mile connectivity coupled with inadequate parking facilities is stoping many from using it.

The five stations — Konanakunte Cross, Doddakallasandra, Vajrahalli, Thalaghattapura and Silk Institute — that dot the 6.29-km stretch of Reach 4B have seen poor patronage since they were opened for commercial operations on January 15. This has forced BMTC to cut down on the feeder buses it operated in the initial weeks. Without cycles or two-wheeler hire facilities, commuters are left to fend for themselves.

Barring parking space for a few two-wheelers at these stations, there is no space for cars. A fleet of electric autos 'Metro Ride' helps public at Konanakunte Cross station as they ferry people for fares starting from ₹10 to a pre-determined point near their homes.

However, there is no parking space for these autos too. "The response has been good and we have completed 20,000 rides so far," its CEO Girish Nagpal said.

A senior BMTC official said the poor patronage forced them to reduce the 16 feeder buses being run from these stations to the interior areas, to 10. "We might go back to running 16 buses or even more, provided there is a good patronage. It is a huge loss to the BMTC to run buses along routes which fetch a revenue of ₹3 or 4 per km as compared to ₹30 per km on our regular buses ... this does not even help us meet diesel cost," he said.

Abdul Aleem, president of Changemakers of Kanakapura Road, an umbrella group of 60 RWAs said public wanted more buses. "We conducted a survey covering 3,500 residents on facilities needed to make them use the Metro. A majority wanted an increase in feeder buses that would touch stops near their homes," he said.

BMRCL Managing Director Ajay Seth said the new stretch has a patronage of anywhere between 6,000 and 8,000 commuters per day. However, he had no answers for what steps BMRCL would be taking to improve the last-mile connectivity here.

Measures that failed

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- It's a loss for BMTC to run buses along routes which fetch a revenue of ₹3 or 4 per km as compared to ₹30 per km, says BMTC official
- 'Metro Ride'— A fleet of electric autos helps public at Konanakunte Cross station

AIRPORT LINE INCHES CLOSER TO REALITY

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

THE KR Puram-Kempegowda International Airport Line came one step closer to reality after the Centre's Public Investment Board recently recommended the project. It has been sent to Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs for approval, said a Metro official.

Meanwhile, 89% of the land required for the project has been completed but one portion of the land for the depot is under dispute. "We hope to get the Cabinet clearance too this month," the official said. Though the state government gave its administrative clearance two years ago, the Centre is yet to approve it. The ₹14,844-crore Airport line is split into two parts, Central Silk Board Junction to K R Puram (Line 2A) and K R Puram to KIA via Hebbal (Line 2B). M S Channappagoudar, General Manager, Land Acquisitions, BMRCL said, "We have completed the land acquisition process for 2A but for Line 2B, 89% is done. We hope to complete the remaining within two months," he said.

The line requires 2,19,067 sqm of land and we have acquired 1,95,902 sqm so far, he said. "Of the remaining 23,165 sqm, 8,000 sqm belongs to BMTC at Hebbal and they have assured it would be handed over as the project progresses. BMRCL has been holding talks with the Railways for over a year to acquire 3,500 sqm of its land near Benagenahalli, he added. The Shettigere depot requires 94,185 sqm of land, Channappagoudar said. "20,153 sqm of land is claimed by an individual called Madhumati Shantaram and the matter is pending with the Special District Commissioner. The remaining 74,052 sqm has been handed over by the government."

NOT JUST DUST

In allergy capital, homes full of roach, cats allergens

CHETANA BELAGERE @Bengaluru

BENGALURU, the most liveable city, is also a cockroach allergens hothouse. A study has found that city households have more cockroach allergens, as well as high percentage of particle size between 2-20 µm, compared to New Delhi, Mumbai and Hyderabad.

The study, conducted by Dyson in association with FICCI Research and Analysis Centre (FRAC), found that "one can also find bacteria, fungi, dust mites, cat and dog allergens in houses..." These findings are part of the study to analyse household dust by collecting samples across Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad and Bengaluru, including dust samples from 44 surfaces in 14 households of Bengaluru.

FRAC scientists collected samples from four sources: sofa, carpet, mattress and car. "All these sources are cleaned regularly," the study quoted.

Interestingly, the study looked at 11 different allergens which include particles, human/dog/cat hair and less obvious things like bacterial and fungal count, dust mite allergens and even spore count.

Dyson's team also took samples from some homes two days after it had gone through a vacuuming session. Approximately 25 grams of 'dust' was collected from each source. Pulmonologists and doctors in Bengaluru said it proved that these allergens can lead to a spectrum of manifestations, including allergic rhinitis/rhinosinusitis, asthma and urticaria.

Renowned pulmonologist Dr Satyanarayana Mysore, Manipal Hospitals, Bengaluru, said the Dyson study needs to be repeated as a multicentric study and validated. "Chitinases, the external protein layer of cockroaches, plays a very important role in stimulating our immune system and drive the asthma response further," he said.

A similar study in 2018 by Dyson had found that in two of three houses in Bengaluru, at least one person was found to be affected by a dust allergy and the total fungal count was higher than in other metropolitan cities. Dr Mysore added that doctors need to educate their patients that absence of symptoms does not mean all is well with the airways.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

06th March: Gemini is my personal sign of the moment. Don't be surprised if some people stay up all night talking – as Geminians do! The problem is that we'll all be affected by this sign's lively presence and even those of us who have taken a vow of silence will be forced to speak our minds! It's a good moment for a long walk as well, getting the circulation going.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
A quick change of mood finds you becoming slightly more down-to-earth and increasingly willing to achieve your aims by taking care of practical details. You'll realise that if a job is worth doing properly, it's also worth doing it yourself!

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Mercury, the planet which represents your mind, has now entered a theatrical region of your chart, which means that for the next fortnight you may cut quite a dash with your ideas. It's all a question of having confidence - and of not being easily embarrassed.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
If you can take care of personal relationships with smooth and unflappable efficiency then you'll give yourself enough time to deal with financial matters later on. In fact, this is going to be a rather good time for picking up valuable bargains.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You may get all routine chores out of the way before you turn to personal matters. For some strange reason partners will respect you more if they see that you are efficient, organised and practical! That might not always have been the case, but you must allow people to change!

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Something - or someone - is encouraging you to take a risk. The question is whether this is now appropriate, and the answer is 'maybe'! The way to clear up any doubts is to give yourself as much time as you need to run through each and every possible outcome.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Just because your ideas are the best, that doesn't give you the excuse to preach or impose your opinions on others. Be discreet, confident that you have the future worked out. The best way to be proved right is to set a good example.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Your behaviour at the moment seems to be slightly contradictory. You are very open with your feelings, but you're keeping some of your plans and intentions to yourself. Don't be surprised if partners should be confused. It's only to be expected!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
The romantic situation seems to be dominated by secrecy for another few weeks at least. Something is going to happen to stir up feelings which you find it difficult to talk about, so you may just wait for the emotional waters to clear. You'll find the right words eventually.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
If you're considering any financial adventures today, even a shopping trip, your stars begin to look more business like as the hours pass. Early on, though, there's a chance of extravagance. Your generosity will be one of your better qualities.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
If you should consider cancelling any social engagements, give yourself time to think again. As the Moon weaves among the other planets, you are likely to change your mind. What once seemed like a waste of time will again look like a welcome opportunity.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Make a point of spending a little time by yourself, and don't let anyone persuade you that day-dreaming is a pointless activity. By letting your imagination wander, you will stumble across the answer to a few unsolved problems, with very worthwhile results.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Serious choices lie ahead. Although your life seems to be dominated by the desire to achieve something big, whether you do or not is another matter! After a few hours, your priorities will have shifted and the social whirl may seem like a more attractive proposition.

THE PHANTOM

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HARD: Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.

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Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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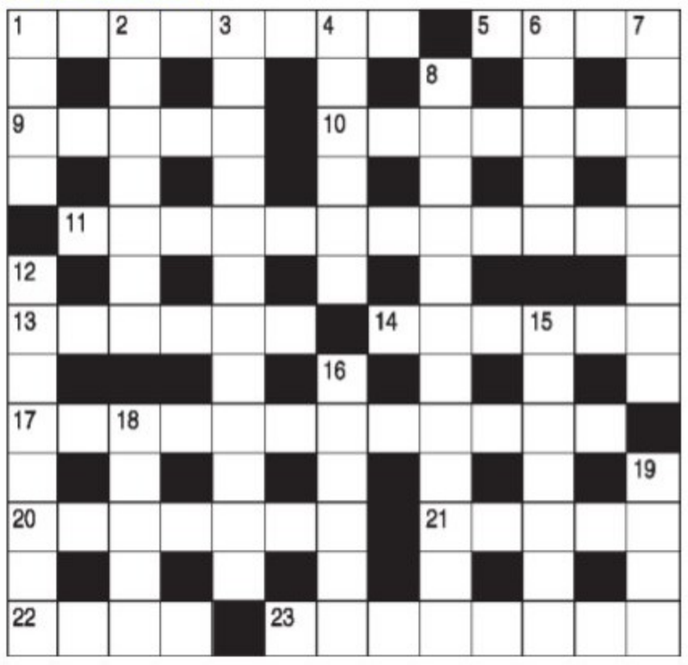
CROSS WORD



ACROSS

1 World-encompassing issue at northeast university (8)
5 Ruler of star potential (4)
9 One involved in change of location for film (5)
10 Fond of to some extent (7)
11 Open with anger an original Christmas gift (12)
13 Settle the score in Geneva perhaps (6)
14 Players the French keep (6)
17 Onslaughts by Cupid perhaps could be fatal (5,7)
20 It's mean to declare how old a person is (7)
21 Private lodging provided with hesitation (5)
22 Novel companion for Nelson (4)
23 Rises to announce the exhibition's ready for opening? (6,2)

DOWN

1 It's unchanged when put up to me (4)
2 Go the other way back (7)
3 The case for a two-day visit? (9,3)
4 Sleep with relatives of the cloth (6)
6 Issue foreign coins (5)
7 Not so anxious since replacement's arrived? (8)
8 Announcement from the Roman Capitol (12)
12 Transaction which is without credit (4,4)
15 Returns from business (7)
16 The way of a townsman (6)
18 A light across the ship (5)
19 Gratuity about right for the journey (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Departure, 8 Niger, 9 Wrinkle, 10 Mastic, 11 Strait, 12 Analysts, 15 Interest, 18 Eleven, 20 Campus, 21 Garnish, 22 Since, 23 Shallowly.

Down: 2 Egret, 3 Annual, 4 Tall tale, 5 Entail, 6 Egotism, 7 Precision, 11 Staircase, 13 After all, 14 Stamina, 16 Routes, 17 Lean-to, 19 Easel.

JUMBLE By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon

ANSWERS TOMORROW

YESTERDAY'S: **Jumbles:** HARSH CECKO WILDLY APPEAR

ANSWER: The energy hemessed from the sun comes from a – HIGHER POWER

Elated that UN has declared 2023 as the International Year of #Millets! Our millet movement is going global. Big boon to Indian dry land farmers.

Krishna Byre Gowda, MLA

Give correct info, sign up for vax drive, hospitals told

Over 300 more facilities in Bengaluru, including PHCs and private hospitals, to start immunising under Phase 3: BBMP administrator

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PRIVATE hospitals wishing to be part of the Covid vaccine drive must be empanelled with either a Central or State insurance scheme and must ensure that they provide correct information while signing up.

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike Commissioner N Manjunatha Prasad made the above remarks on Friday during a meeting of 300 hospitals in the city. He said that hospitals must give the correct mobile phone number as the OTP for verifying access to the CoWIN portal will be sent to the registered mobile number. Failure to give the correct phone number will mean that the hospital will not be included for the vaccination drive.

From Monday, 141 primary health centres, 28 maternity hospitals, six referral hospitals, 107 hospitals with over 100 beds and 50 hospitals with less than 100 beds will also administer the vaccine. People will now be directed to the nearest vaccine centre and the wait-time will also come down, he said.

Prasad said that a master template is being created at the BBMP war room where information of vaccine centres, beneficiaries, vaccinators, supervisors, staff verifying data and others involved will be compiled and verified. The vaccine will be administered free of cost at government hospitals while private facilities will charge Rs 250 per jab (Rs 150 to be given to the government and the rest to be retained by private hospitals as service fee).

"Many hospitals have expressed interest in administering the vaccine. But before taking it up, they must set up appropriate cold chain infrastructure to store doses. Also, many citizens have requested that the second shot be available free of cost. This proposal has been placed before the government for approval," the Commissioner said.

An elderly man gets vaccinated against Covid-19 at K C General Hospital in Bengaluru on Friday | ASHISHKRISHNA HP

HOW HOSPITALS CAN REGISTER TO GIVE JAB

- Register vaccinators on BBMP master data portal
  - Enter mobile number of each staffer
  - Enter OTP sent to mobile number before administering jab
  - Verify details of citizens entered on CoWIN with physical documents
- Verify SMS received by beneficiary
- Verify documents of comorbidities, assess beneficiary's condition
- Jab to be given by trained personnel; observe beneficiary for side-effects for 30min
- Register and share details for 2nd dose
- Give provisional certificate to beneficiary for 1st dose; vaccination certificate after 2nd dose

GETTING THE SHOT? WHAT YOU NEED TO DO

Register on CoWIN 2.0 (www.cowin.gov.in) → Enter verified mobile number → Enter OTP → Enter age, photo ID card details → You will get SMS on vax slot: venue and time. Produce ID proof while getting jab

7 B'LURU SCHOOL KIDS TEST +VE

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SEVEN students at Narayanapura government high school have tested positive for Covid-19 and all but one have been taken to K R Puram General Hospital as home isolation conditions are unsatisfactory.

All the children are asymptomatic. There are 188 students at the school and 28 are yet to undergo tests. Previously, two staffers of the school had tested positive.

The school has been closed for 14 days and officials say there are 66 primary contacts and 53 secondary contacts.

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahangara Palike Commissioner N Manjunatha Prasad said, "It is another cluster as the children and the attendants have tested positive. The parents of the children are also being tested. Their primary and secondary contacts are also being traced and samples are being collected. The children are being attended to."

In Bommanahalli zone, Vasanthpura ward, at Sai Kuteera Multidwelling Unit with five floors, eight people have tested positive. Four tested positive on February 25, and two secondary contacts tested positive in the next two days. On March 3, two more people tested positive. This too has been declared as a cluster and containment zone.

After cases began to decline last since in October last year, Bengaluru has reported cluster outbreaks, inlcuding at multiple colleges, and apartments.

Kerala movie crew sparks fear in Hassan

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WITH crew members of a Malayalam movie camping at the historic Santa Rosary church, residents of Shettihalli and adjacent villages in Hassan taluk are a worried lot. As the number of Covid cases is high in Kerala, the Karnataka government has made a negative RT-PCR test report mandatory for travellers from the neighbouring state.

Locals said over 150 people are part of the film being shot in and around the church for last couple of days. The technical team and managers shuttle between Shettihalli and Hassan city. They also shoot at different locations along the banks of the Hemavathi backwaters, they added.

District Health Officer Dr Satish visited the spot and and directed the manager and technical team to continue shooting only after getting all the members tested at Hassan Institute of Medical sciences for tests and stop shooting until the test reports arrive. The crew are staying in different hotels and lodges in Hassan city.

KEEPING IT COLD

City startup tracks vaccines real-time for Andhra

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BENGALURU-based startup Intugine Technologies is partnering with the Andhra Pradesh government to track vaccine shipments to the state in real-time to ensure doses are maintained at ideal temperature.

Cofounder Ayush Agarwal said the company uses GPS to track the location of vehicles transporting the vaccine. He said that four centres in India - Mumbai, Karnal, Chennai and Kolkata - supply vaccines to state headquarters from which it is taken to regional storage sites, then to district sites, and lastly, vaccination sites.

"Our work starts at the state health headquarters, from where vaccines are sent to regional centres. GPS devices in the vehicles help National Health Mission officials sitting in the control room, track their movement in real-time. They get real-time alerts if there is any delay or halt during transit," Agarwal told The New Indian Express.

As cold storage facilities are only at the start and end points, vaccines get temporary refrigeration for about four to six hours during transit, beyond which time, they may become unfit for use. Real-time tracking helps ensure that vehicles reach the regional and district facilities in time, Agarwal said.

"Tracking also helps officials plan how many doses they can administer at a site in a day, when the vehicle will reach its destination, scheduling the vaccination and maintaining inventory. We started the service at the end of January and plan to expand to other state governments as well," he added.

The vaccine supply chain across the globe is expected to face theft and counterfeiting risks, the company stated.

Andhra Pradesh NHM mission director Bhaskar Katamneni, said that the state government wanted to monitor and control long-distance vaccine movement in real-time, and ensure a timely response in case of contingencies.

The company helped monitor quarantined people in April 2020 using geo-fencing to alert authorities if there was any breach by primary contacts.

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TENDER NOTICE

NIT.No.610000762

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Place : Bangalore
Date : 6.3.2021
Zonal Manager, Bangalore
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No:- 972 (B.Ed.)/Date:- 03/03/2021

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Sd/- Principal
Govt. College, Sundargarh

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No. CUSAT/IRAA.A3/21777/Notfn./CAT 2021 Dated : 06/03/2021

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POSSESSION NOTICE
(For Immovable Property)

Where as the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Federal Bank Ltd. under the Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act,2002 (hereinafter referred to as Act) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) of the said Act read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002(hereinafter referred to as Rules) issued a demand notice dated 11/12/2020 calling upon the borrower **(1) Mrs.Aruna Challuvaraju,** self and legal heir of late Challuvaraju, **(2) Mrs.Kanakamma,** Mother and legal heir of late Challuvaraju **(3) Ms.Divyashree,** Daughter and legal heir of late Challuvaraju **(4) Mr.Chethan Raj,** Son and legal heir of late Challuvaraju, all residing at No.86, Mariamma Temple Street, Bannerghatta, Bangalore 560083 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **₹.10,95,873.60** (Rupees Ten Lakh Ninety Five Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Three and Paise Sixty Only) under Loan **A/c.No.15717300001288** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said Rules on this **2nd day of March the year 2021.**

The borrower/s' attention is invited to the provisions of section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets (security properties).

The borrower in particular and public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Federal Bank Ltd. for an amount **₹.11,35,746.60** (Rupees Eleven Lakh Thirty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Six and Paise Sixty Only) as on **28.02.2021** and interest and costs thereon.

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All the piece and parcel of the land having an extent of 1064 sq.ft with house building thereon along with all improvements thereon situated at No.62/3, Anubhadnah No. 12, Khata No.123 situated at Bannerghatta Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District and bounded on North by Narasamma's Property, West by Lingamma's property, South by Road & Ramaji Mantapa and East by Muniswamy Mudaliar's Property.

Date : 02.03.2021
Place : Bengaluru
Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Federal Bank Ltd

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Duration of the Course	1 year (August 2021- July 2022)
No. of seats	Non-Sponsored: 25, Sponsored: 05
Age limit (Age as on 01/08/2021)	(a) General Category – 26 years (b) OBC – 29 years (c) SC/ST – 31 years (d) Dependents of those who died in the riots of 1984 (Dep1984) – 31 years (e) Persons domiciled in Kashmir Division of Jammu and Kashmir State from 01/01/1980 to 31/12/1989 (Dom Kashmir) – 31 years **Physically Challenged** persons are eligible for age relaxation of maximum up to 10 years. The candidates with physical disabilities limited to the lower extremities, but permitting to stand, move and physically able to carry out the course requirement only will be considered. For the sponsored candidates the age limit as on 01/08/2021 is 40 years.
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Stipend	₹ **25,000/- p.m.** (for non-sponsored candidate)
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Date of Common Entrance Test	**09/05/2021 (Sunday 9th May, 2021)**

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F.No. C-29016/100/2019-Ad.VIA
Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue
(Central Board of Direct Taxes)

New Delhi, the 4th June, 2020

MEMORANDUM

The President proposes to hold an inquiry against Shri Anilkumar P. Chaware, IRS (IT:99030), Commissioner of Income Tax (OSD) Pune under Rule 14 of the Central Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rule, 1965. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charge **(Annexure - I)**. A statement of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in support of the articles of charge is enclosed (Annexure - II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom the articles of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure - III).

2. Shri Anil Kumar P. Chaware is directed to submit within 15 days of the receipt of this memorandum a written statement of his defence and also to state whether he desires to be heard in person.

3. He is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charges which are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

4. Shri Anil Kumar P. Chaware is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the time specified in Para 2 above, or does not appear in person before the inquiry authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 14 of the CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965, or the orders / directions issued in pursuance of the said rule, the inquiring authority may hold the inquiry against him *ex-parte*.

5. Attention of Shri Anilkumar P. Chaware is invited to Rule 20 of the Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring political or outside influence to bear upon superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with in these proceedings, it will be presumed that Shri Anilkumar P. Chaware is aware of such representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 20 of CCS(Conduct) Rules, 1964.

6. The receipt of the Memorandum may be acknowledged.

(By order and in the name of the President of India)

Sd/- (K C Patra), Under Secretary to the Government of India

To
Shri Anilkumar P. Chaware, IRS (IT:99030), Commissioner of Income Tax (OSD), Pune. [Through Pr.CCIT (CCA), Pune]
Encl as above

Copy to:- 1. Principal CCIT(CCA), Pune along with a copy of ibid Memorandum meant for the officer with a request to get it served upon the Charged Officer and send a dated acknowledgement to the Board for further action.
2. Pr. DGIT(Vigilance)/Pr.DGIT(HRD), New Delhi.
3. PPS to Chairman, CBDT/Member(Admin).
4. US(Ad.VI)/US(V&L)/US(DT-Per).
5. Guard Folder.

Sd/- (K C Patra), Under Secretary to the Government of India

ANNEXURE-I
STATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SHRI ANILKUMAR P. CHAWARE (99030), COMMISSIONER OF INCOME TAX(OSD), PUNE.

Article of Charge - I

Chief Executive Officer of The Tax Dept. Co-op Bank Ltd, Mumbai has informed, vide letter No. ITDCBL/111/2019-20 dated 7.8.2019, that Shri Anilkumar P.Chaware(99030), Addl. Commissioner of Income Tax, Pune availed loan of Rs. 5,50,000/- on 14.03.2009 while his posting in Mumbai charge which was supposed to be repaid by the officer in 119 installments as per loan agreement and execution of demand promissory note. Shri Chaware has defaulted in making repayment of loan and interest thereon since 29.02.2012. Recovery proceedings were also initiated against him by the Bank under Section 49 of the Maharashtra Co-operative Societies Act, 1960 as a result Rs. 3,09,267/- was recovered from the officer. Despite regular follow up by the Bank, Shri Chaware failed and neglected to make payment of outstanding amount of Rs 1,74,678/- as on 07.08.2019.

By the aforesaid acts, Shri Anilkumar P.Chaware has exhibited the conduct unbecoming of a Government servant in contravention of the provisions of Rule 3(1)(iii), Rule 3(1)(xviii) and Rule 17 of the Central Civil Services(Conduct) Rules, 1964.

ANNEXURE-II
STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SHRI ANILKUMAR P. CHAWARE (99030), COMMISSIONER OF INCOME TAX (OSD), PUNE.

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ANNEXURE-III
LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SHRI ANILKUMAR P. CHAWARE(99030), COMMISSIONER OF INCOME TAX(OSD), PUNE IS PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

Sl.No.	Documents details
1	Copy of Letter Ref.No. ITDCBL/111/2019-20 dated 07.08.2019 of the Income Tax Department Co-op Bank Ltd, Mumbai.

ANNEXURE-IV
LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SHRI ANILKUMAR P. CHAWARE (99030). COMMISSIONER OF INCOME TAX(OSD), PUNE ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

1. Shri Ajit Jadhav, Chief Executive Officer, The Income Tax, Dept. Co-op Bank Ltd, Mumbai.

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NO NEW TAXES, BUT NO RELIEF ON FUEL PRICES IN BUDGET

With Centre relaxing borrowing norms, budget outlay will be slightly higher than last year's: CM

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CHIEF Minister B S Yediyurappa on Friday hinted that he will not impose any new taxes in the budget and burden the people who are already facing hardship due to increase in fuel prices. However, he also ruled out the possibility of reducing the state's taxes on fuel.

During his pre-budget interaction with mediapersons on Friday, the CM said there has been an increase in petrol and diesel prices, but the budget will not burden people. "We are not imposing any new taxes, except for some minor tweaking," the CM said. Asked if the State Government will cut its taxes on petrol and diesel to provide relief to people, the CM said they are not in a position to do so. Explaining the financial constraints under which the budget is being presented and the efforts made to mobilise resources, the CM said that due to Covid, tax collections in the state had taken a severe hit for over six months and the government had to spend around ₹6,000 crore in the fight against the pandemic.

Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa at a pre-budget interaction with media persons in Bengaluru on Friday

"Despite that, I have made all efforts to present a better budget compared to last year's. Since the Central Government has allowed us to take loans, we will make use of it to present a good budget," the CM said, adding that it will not be a deficit budget and that the budget outlay too will be slightly more than last year.

Women's welfare, tourism, irrigation projects and development of Bengaluru will be some of the priorities in the budget that promises to have programmes for all 31 districts and continue programmes initiated earlier for the agriculture sector. Reiterating his commitment for the development of the state capital, the CM said in seven to eight months, they will change the face of Bengaluru. "In the budget, we will give more priority for Bengaluru development, and many infrastructure works in the city have already started," the CM said.

"The State Government will always be with the farmers and will do everything possible for their welfare and give priority to irrigation projects," he said.

I will bring this before the Business Advisory Committee meeting on Tuesday. I personally want this debate to happen in this budget session
— Vishveshwara Hegde Kageri, Speaker

Congress legislators protest in the well of the House during a discussion on 'One Nation, One Election' idea in the Legislative Assembly, in Bengaluru on Friday

Kageri keen on taking up one-election debate again

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As Congress members continued to disrupt proceedings in the Karnataka assembly on the last day of the two-day debate on 'One Nation, One Election', Speaker Vishveshwara Hegde Kageri said he will take it up again before March 31, as the debate was not fruitful.

Kageri told reporters on Friday that he had taken part in the All State Speakers' Conference in November 2020, where the 'One Nation, One Election' issue was initiated. "I was keen on taking up the debate in Karnataka. We are the first state in India to initiate the debate. The Congress, which was keen on taking part, took a different stand on Thursday morning. JDS members said they oppose it and want to express their views. At least 47 members gave their names to speak in the House, including 19 from the Congress. Let them oppose, but their views have to be expressed," he said.

"I will bring this before the Business Advisory Committee meeting on Tuesday. I personally want this debate to happen in this budget session," he said.

On the second day of the session, the Congress insisted on revoking the suspension of its MLA Sangameshwara, who was suspended on Thursday for seven days for taking off his shirt in the House.

On Friday, Congress members came into the well of the House and termed it "RSS agenda". Opposition Leader Siddaramaiah said Sangameshwara was angry that false cases of atrocities and attempt to murder had been booked against him and his family members. "He was just expressing his anger and removed his shirt. It's not right to suspend him for seven days," he said. Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai criticised Congress leaders for defending the MLA's conduct. "This shows to what level Congress supports their MLA. His suspension order should not be revoked," he said.

MLCs DEMAND SCRAPPING OF NPS

MLCs have urged the government to scrap the National Pension Scheme (NPS) and reintroduce the old pension scheme for government employees recruited in and after 2006. During a discussion, the members said NPS was causing hardship to government employees. BJP MLC Ayanur Manjunath said that employees formed an integral part of the government and they should get the same benefits as legislators. "If NPS was so good, why did the government implement it only for employees and not us (legislators)?" In reply, floor leader Kota Shrinivas Poojari said the government had formed a committee in 2018. "We will ask the committee to submit its report soon," he said.

MINISTERS ABSENT, OPPN OBJECTS

Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council SR Patil raised objection in the House on Thursday, as ministers who were supposed to be present during the question and answer session were absent. Floor leader Kota Shrinivas Poojari said there are provisions for other ministers to answer when the minister concerned is not present, as they have to be present in the Assembly too. The Chairman intervened, asking Poojari to ensure that ministers are present when their presence is marked compulsory in the day's business. Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti asked the ruling BJP to provide answers to questions on the same day instead of postponing the reply citing various reasons.

TRANSPORT CORPNS HIT BY ₹4K CR LOSS

Transport Minister and Deputy CM Laxman Savadi said that the losses caused to the state road transport corporations owing to the prevailing Covid-19 pandemic had hit their projects, including establishing women lounges in bus stations. Savadi said the corporations faced a revenue loss of ₹4,000 crore. He said that there were 551 bus stations in the state and 66 of them had women lounges. "It will be provided once the corporations recover financially," he said. Replying to another question by R Prasanna Kumar about overloading of passengers in maxi-cabs, Savadi said the transport department had booked 34,168 cases and had collected ₹26,87,51,838 as penalty from April 2018 to January this year.

Amid talk of defection to JDS, Ibrahim meets Siddu

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IN what appears to be some good news for the Congress, party MLC **C M Ibrahim** on Friday met former Chief Minister Siddaramaiah at the latter's residence in the city.

This meeting assumes significance as Ibrahim had met JDS supremo H D Deve Gowda, along with H D Kumaraswamy, in January, setting off alarm bells in the Congress camp. Kumaraswamy – who is aiming at increasing JDS' minority vote share – had met Ibrahim, after which they had visited Gowda.

Ending his self-imposed exile, Ibrahim personally drove down to Siddaramaiah's residence and spent a good amount of time before the Legislature session on Friday morning.

In a bid to retain Ibrahim in the Congress, Siddaramaiah and party General Secretary and state in-charge Randeep Surjewala had met the MLC last month. Surjewala had assured Ibrahim that he would convey his concerns to the high command. Ibrahim is likely to meet the Congress central leadership soon.

The Congress' concern was understandable because without senior minority leaders like late Jaffer Sharief and Roshan Baig -- who quit the party -- the Grand Old Party was left with only second-rung leaders. Losing Ibrahim would have impacted the party, considering it is already facing a tough battle in retaining its minority vote base, especially with the arrival of SDPI and All India Majlis-e-Ittehad-ul-Muslimeen.

While some say the issue has blown over, others are skeptical as the JDS is not a party that gives up easily, and could make a renewed bid to get Ibrahim into the party fold.

Ibrahim was not available for his response.

POLICE NOT INTERESTED IN TRACING WOMAN: ACTIVIST

MANJU SHETTAR @ Bengaluru

ACTIVIST Dinesh Kallahalli on Friday appeared before Cubbon Park police to give a clarification on the tape involving BJP leader Ramesh Jarkiholi. Police issued a notice to Kallahalli to appear before an investigation officer on Wednesday.

A senior police officer from Cubbon Park police station said Kallahalli has given some clarifications over the CD, after he filed a petition before approaching the city police commissioner.

The investigating officer sought more details on receiving the video footage and source. Since the woman involved did not come forward to file a case against the minister, the police questioned him on his intention to file a petition on behalf of the woman's family.

However, police examined CCTV footage of Kallahalli meeting the woman's family member to receive the video, and holding a 12-minute conversation with the man.

Kallahalli told *The New Indian Express*, "Police are giving some technical reasons to file an FIR. They are intentionally delaying it, instead of taking up a suo motu case based on a video said to have been uploaded on a website before I approached them. It is not difficult to trace the woman but police are not interested in probing the case."

Reacting to former Chief Minister HD Kumaraswamy's allegations that the CD was old and the blackmailers had demanded ₹5 crore, he said Kumaraswamy was diverting public attention, and he should have revealed this to the media earlier.

Activist Dinesh Kallahalli coming out of the Cubbon Park Police Station, in Bengaluru on Friday | ASHISHKRISHNA H P

Jarkiholi supporter jumps on burning tyre

Belagavi: Protests over the resignation of former minister Ramesh Jarkiholi continued for the third day, with a 55-year-old supporter allegedly attempting to end his life by jumping on to a burning tyre in Gokak. However, alert police personnel pulled the man out of the flames and rushed him to Gokak Taluk Hospital, where his condition is stated to be out of danger. The man suffered burns on the right side of his body. Ganapati Rajput, a resident of Gokak, said he knows Jarkiholi since his childhood. "He has suffered injustice and the CD is nothing but a conspiracy by some leaders to tarnish his image. I was upset, and decided to commit suicide," he said. Speaking to a section of media from the hospital bed, Ganapati cursed that person who he alleged had conspired against Jarkiholi by releasing a fake CD. ENS

HDK wants govt to crack down on blackmailers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mysuru

FORMER Chief Minister H D Kumaraswamy on Friday demanded that the government arrest those claiming to have CDs on leaders and blackmailing them. He alleged that there are a few vested interests who are blackmailing others, and the government should release such CDs into the public domain.

Referring to claims of a CD involving a former chief minister, he said the state has many chief ministers, including H D Deve Gowda and S M Krishna. Clarifying that he is not afraid as he nothing to hide, Gowda said he wanted to put an end to blackmail tactics.

Kumaraswamy hinted that a Rs 5-crore deal was struck on the CD involving former minister Ramesh Jarkiholi. "Some big people are involved in this case and it is the responsibility of the government to order a probe. I am not happy over this episode. I believe the purpose behind the CD was to get Ramesh Jarkiholi to resign and they were successful in their mission," he said. Such politics would further dent the image of those in public life, he said.

Asked about Congress MLA Tanveer Sait being targeted for allying with the JDS in the Mysuru City Corporation mayoral polls, he said his party would extend protection if Sait is orphaned politically.

Asked about the 'One India, One Election' debate, he said the government should stop holding polls based on money power, and wanted electoral reforms to set right any lapses. It is time for all political parties to introspect, he said, accusing the Congress of taking a U-turn.

Siddaramaiah bats for free vaccine for all

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

FORMER Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Friday urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi to ensure that every Indian is vaccinated against Covid-19 for free. "Many countries across the world, including Brazil, Canada, the US and the UK, have made vaccines free of cost and that is the right approach," Siddaramaiah stated in a letter addressed to the PM.

Urging Modi to reconsider the decision to allow private hospitals to charge ₹250 for the vaccine, the former chief minister said allowing private healthcare centres to charge ₹250 for administering vaccine will adversely impact the efforts to ensure immunity to everyone and to contain the spread of Covid-19. "More than 70% of the population will find it difficult to afford the vaccine and (the price) may prevent them from accessing it. This will act as a deterrent for our fight against the pandemic and return to normalcy," he said.

Siddaramaiah said vaccination drive in India was slow as only 0.5% of the population was vaccinated so far. "Whereas other countries have been making huge strides to increase immunity among its people. Israel has vaccinated 36 per cent of the population, the US six per cent, and the UK four per cent. India can progress only when the vaccines are widely available at zero cost to the population," the former CM stated.

Siddaramaiah said collaborating with private institutions in the vaccination drive is the right approach and the State and Union governments should take the burden to reimburse.

Hope to hold investors' meet in Dec: Shettar

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"The minister played an important role. There were several legal and labour issues. Emotions were also running high. But now, an amicable settlement has been reached," Additional Chief Secretary, Industries Department, Gaurav Gupta said. Karnataka is preparing for the GIM sometime in December.

"If we have gotten over Covid by then, we will have GIM in December," Shettar said. Brand guru Harish Bijoor told *TNIE*, "Issues that relate to labour and their wellbeing are serious. They are endemic to work, working conditions and pay scales. The pandemic has only worsened this. To that extent, this is not unique to Karnataka. Brand Karnataka does take a beating as these issues seem to follow one another with some degree of regularity. As long as these incidents can be counted on the fingers, it is fine. The moment it goes beyond that, we will have a brand crisis on hand."

EXPRESS READ

Yadav slams Modi, says MSP not being paid

Kalaburagi: Swaraj India president Yogendra Yadav on Friday hit out at PM Narendra Modi over the new farm laws. Participating in 'Save MSP Abhiyan', he said, "PM Modi should stop lying on TV channels about the new farm laws." "He says 'MSP tha, hai, aur rahega'. Let him show us where and for which commodity the government is paying MSP," he said. ENS

VOTE CATCHER

Limbavali off to Bengal to ramp up poll campaign

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

BENGALURU to Bengal. Forests, Kannada and Culture Minister and Mahadevapura MLA **Aravind Limbavali** will soon be taking a flight out to the East Coast, where a bitter battle is brewing for the land of Rabindra. There, he will be part of the election campaign team for the BJP, which has raised the stakes and is making an aggressive bid to win power.

Limbavali's claim to any influence over the traditionally leftist voters of West Bengal is that his constituency is home to around 20,000 Bengalis, including 5,600 registered voters. Mahadevapura is one of the major IT pockets of Silicon City.

Sources in Limbavali's office said the minister has already completed two meetings with the Bengali population in his constituency, and appealed to them to vote for the BJP and also put in a word to their relatives and friends back home.

Limbavali, known to be a sharp election strategist, will be attending a party meeting called by BJP National President JP Nadda and Home Minister Amit Shah in New Delhi on Saturday.

On Friday, Limbavali, who was in Kalaburagi on an official tour, was told to attend a meeting in Delhi. One leader from each state will be part of the campaign team for West Bengal. He and a few others will be given two or three assembly seats to work on.

With the Karnataka budget session going on, Limbavali is expected to make frequent visits to Bengal in the middle of the session, especially during weekends. Many ministers and leaders from Karnataka, including National General Secretary CT Ravi, Union Minister Pralhad Joshi, Deputy CM Ashwath Narayan, and Rajya Sabha member Rajeev Chandrashekar are associated with South Indian states and territories.

7 held for ragging in M'luru

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mangaluru

THE Mangaluru City police have arrested seven college students on charges of ragging their juniors in two separate incidents. City Police Commissioner N Shashi Kumar told reporters on Friday that nine first-year BBA students of a private college in Balmatta were allegedly ragged by three students of the second year.

The victims were residing in a rented house at Simon Lane near Pumpwell. On Thursday, the seniors barged into their house and allegedly threatened the nine students to shave off their beards and moustaches. When they returned after doing so, they were further ordered to tonsure their heads by 5 pm the next day.

The victims were also reportedly abused and made to prepare tea for their seniors, who allegedly warned them against roaming around and talking to girls in their college. Based on a complaint by one of the victims, a case was registered at the Kankanady Town Police station following which, the three accused — II B.Com student Mohammed Adil (20) from Kannur, II BBA (Aviation Logistics) student Rijin Riyas (20) from Kozhikode, and II B.Sc (Aviation Travels) student Mohammed Nizamuddin BP (20) from Kannur — were booked under IPC Sections 448 (house-trespass), 504 (intentional insult with intent to provoke breach of the peace), 506 (criminal intimidation), and 34; and Section 116 of the Karnataka Education Act. They were subsequently arrested.

In the second case, four engineering students from a private college in Surathkal police station limits were arrested after a first-year student complained that he was ragged by them on February 26. His seniors allegedly imposed certain restrictions on him, while he was also abused and ill-treated. The dean had referred the case to the college's anti-ragging committee, and the students were suspended and a case was registered on Wednesday against the students, identified as K U Shamil (22), Mohammed Bazil (22), Ashwin Johnson (21), and Sambhram Alva (20).

Meanwhile, Shamil, Sambhram and Mohammed were also booked for assaulting a chemistry lecturer of the college, following an argument over this incident.

FOREIGNERS HELD

Police bust racket, seize drugs worth ₹4 crore

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

AS part of their investigation into the drug menace, the East Division police have arrested three foreigners on charges of peddling drugs, and seized ganja and cocaine worth Rs 4 crore from them.

An officer said that based on credible information, a special team had nabbed a couple of suspects when they had come to Nagawara service road on February 26 to distribute drugs among some celebrities. Police had nabbed two Nigerians identified as Ugochukwua Harrison Aghabanti, a resident of Veeranahalli, and John Nonso of Agrahara Layout, and seized 350 grams of MDMA crystals, 4 grams cocaine, 82 ecstasy tablets, seven mobile phones, and two two-wheelers.

During interrogation, the two gave out names of two other Nigerians who were also allegedly involved in peddling drugs, identified as Usman Muhammed and Lokondo Londja Emmanuel. On Thursday night, police learnt that the two were coming to sell drugs, and set a trap. Usman managed to escape, but police chased down Lokondo, who was carrying 526 LSD strips, 200 grams cocaine, 2.7 kg of MDMA, and 1,939 ecstasy tablets. A car and two scooters were seized from his house.

Nonso had also confessed that he was in contact with a couple of celebrities, including Mastan Chandra, and they found technical evidence of the duo being involved in peddling. So police raided Chandra's house on Friday.

Mastan along with an accused, Keshav, used to organise parties in pubs, hotels, resorts and apartments. He allegedly sourced drugs from the arrested foreigners, inviting them to attend parties too.

Police Commissioner Kamal Pant looks at a haul of drugs that were seized during raids, at the Commissioner's Office in Bengaluru on Friday | VINOD KUMAR T

The CCB arrested a Nigerian on Thursday, on charges of drug peddling in Bengaluru and seized MDMA worth around Rs 40 lakh. The accused, Ugochukwu Victor (34), resides in Vaddarapalya. Cops raided his house and recovered 500 gm of MDMA, a weighing machine and two phones.

Cops search Bigg Boss contestant's home

Govindapura police on Friday raided the house of Mastan Chandra, a contestant on reality show Bigg Boss, in Sanjaynagar. Investigating the drugs case, cops searched the home for over two hours, but found nothing. He was called again for questioning over peddling charges.

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This is to inform the general public that, my client is intending to purchase the Schedule Property from **SMT. HARI SRAVYA PATURI**, W/o Sri.Madhu Paturi, Aged 36 yrs, R/at No.204, SVR Agasthya Apartments, Daddy Garden, Kammasandra Road, Hebbagodi, Bangalore-560100, who has represented to my client that she is the absolute owner of the Schedule Property.
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S.A. Maruti Prasad, Advocate
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My client **SRI M. RENUKARADHYA,** S/o Late Muniveeraiah, Residing at No.405, MIG, Surya City, Chandapura, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560099, is one of the owner of the below mentioned schedule property and my client and his family members are in possession of the below mentioned schedule property. My client informs me that he has lost the original Sale Deed dated 25.10.1979 executed by Narayanareddy in favour of my client's father Muniveeraiah registered as document No. 891/1979-1980, before the Sub Registrar Anekal Taluk, Anekal. My client has lodged a Police Complaint before the Station House Officer Suryanagar Police Station, Anekal Taluk, Anekal. The Police has issued acknowledgment vide reference No.101/2021 dated 02/03/2021. My client instructs me to state no person can claim any right, title and interest over the schedule property with the custody of the original Sale Deed dated 25.10.1979 registered as document No. 891/1979-1980, before the Sub Registrar Anekal Taluk, Anekal. My client further instructs me to state that whoever finds the aforesaid Original Sale Deed dated 25.10.1979 kindly hand over the same to the undersigned within **7 days,** failing which my client would treat the said Sale Deed dated 25.10.1979 has been untraced/lost.
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This is to notify the general public that our Client intends to purchase the immovable property being land along with the existing old building and bearing Municipal Corporation No.31, PID No.70-57-31, situated at Nanjappa Road, Shanthinagar, Corporation Ward No.70, Bangalore – 560 027, totally measuring about 6,420 sq. ft., along with RCC roofed house measuring 1000 sq. ft. with mosaic flooring, which is more fully described in the Schedule hereunder and hereinafter referred to as the "***Schedule Property***", from its owner **Mr. Avnash Amarlal,** son of Mr. Amarlal Kukreja (@Seth Assardas Amarlal and also @A Amarlal).
Any person having any claim in respect of the Schedule Property or having any objection to the sale must notify the undersigned with documentary proof thereof within **10 days** from the date of this publication, failing which it shall be deemed that no person has any objection to our Client purchasing the Schedule Property.
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E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE

Sealed tenders are invited from experienced manufacturers/eligible bidders for supply of following equipments/ materials.

Sl. No.	Tender No.	Particulars	Qty	EMD (Rs.)	Due date of opening
1.	TR-20/S&P/46 RFx No-8100020460	Procurement of 220KV wave trap under PSDF scheme	31 Nos.	57,155/-	23/03/2021
		Procurement of 220KV wave trap under Non-PSDF scheme	06 Nos.		
2.	TR-20/S&P/51 RFx No-8100020459	132 KV Coupling Capacitors	82 Nos	61,461/-	01/04/2021
3.	TR-20/S&P/52 RFx No-8100020461	132 KV Isolators without earthswitch 1250 Amp (Metallics only)	157 sets	1,17,814/-	03/04/2021

1. For all other details of NIT and terms & conditions, please visit our website www.cspc.co.in. 2. Cost of Printed Tender Form Rs.-1120/- & E-Tender Form (downloaded from website) Rs.-1180/- (Er. S.D Telang)
Chief Engineer (S&P) CSPTCL, Raipur

"SAVE ELECTRICITY" 28075/3

MANIPUR STATE POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LIMITED

(Secure Office Complex, 3rd Floor, North AOC, A.T.Line, Imphal West, Manipur - 795001)

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Imphal, dated the 5th March, 2021

No.2/167(Streetlight Repairing)/2021-MSPDCL-TECH/4403-09: Manipur State Power Distribution Company Limited (MSPDCL), a Government of Manipur enterprise invites Sealed Open Tender from eligible Contractor/Firms for the urgent turn-key works **of Renovation (Supply and Erection) of existing 130W LED Street Lights on 8m GI Octagonal Pole and for replacement of the old 250/150W HPSV Lamps.**

The tender details and documents shall be available on payment of cost of tender of **Rs.5000/- (non-refundable)** from 08.03.2021 to 18/03/2021 at the office of the **General Manager (Purchase), MSPDCL.**

Your complete offer will be received upto **11.00 A.M. of 20/03/2021** and will be opened at **2.00 P.M.** on **20/03/2021.**

You are requested to submit your offer before last date submission of tender. The Cost of Tender and Earnest Money Deposit should be submitted in one envelope and Techno-Commercial Bids in separate envelope and the Financial Bids Marking as "Financial Bid" in another envelope and all the sealed envelopes packed together in one envelope marking the details of the Tender to be addressed to the **General Manager (Purchase), MSPDCL, Secure Office Complex, 3rd Floor, North AOC, Imphal West-795001** through Speed Post/ Registered Post or Hand delivery.

Sd/- (Ng.Subhachandra Singh)
Managing Director, MSPDCL

KARNATAKA STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION

Puttur Division: Puttur
Divisional Office, Mukrumpady, PUTTUR- 574202
No.KST/PTR/Traffic/Commercial/4256/20-21 Date:04.03.2021

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION NO.01/2020-21 (Through e-procurement)

E-Tender applications invited through e-procurement for the vacant advertisement packages in Puttur Division of KSRTC. E-Tender documents may be downloaded from the e-procurement website: **http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** from 08-03-2021. Last date for submitting the tender documents is **11.30 Hrs on 29-03-2021**. Date of opening of e-tender is **31-03-2021 at 12.00 Hrs**.(if there are no technical snags). For the details can be had from divisional office, KSRTC Puttur Division, Mukrumpady, Puttur- 574202. Contact No. 7760990982 / 7259953323

Sd/-
Divisional Controller
DIPR/3015/Alaknanda/2020-21

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KARNATAKA URBAN WATER SUPPLY AND DRAINAGE BOARD

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER
Jalamandali Compound, Sir. M. Vishveshvarayya Road, Dharwad-580 001. Karnataka. Phone No. : 0836-2447090, Fax : 0836-2446890, E-mail : kwbcen@gmail.com

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (ONLY FOR PRE-QUALIFIED BIDDERS)

(Through e-Procurement Portal only)

No. KWB/CE (DHARWAD)/SGEE(BGM)/DCE-1/TA-1/AE-1/TND/2020-21/1881 Date : 04-03-2021

Tenders for the following works are invited (two cover system) through e-Procurement portal (https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in) from the Pre-Qualified Bidders who satisfied the Technical & Financial Eligibility Criteria (For details please refer e-procurement portal).

Name of Work : Providing 24 X 7 Distribution Network in Bailhongal Town including Improvements to Bulk Water Supply Scheme to Bailhongal Town, Appx. Amount put to Tender (in Rs. **68,91,16,603/-,** E.M.D. (Rs.) EMD Declaration shall be uploaded As per FD:675:EXP-12 /2020, Bangalore Dated : 22-12-2020. Cost of bid document : As per e-Procurement Portal, Stipulated period for completion of works : 24 (Twenty Four) Months Including monsoon period.

The details regarding participation in e-procurement process can be obtained from e-Procurement Cell, Centre for e-Governance, Room No. 141, Gate No. 2 MS Building, Bengaluru 560001, Phone: 080-25501216 / 25501227. Email Support : hphelpdesk.blr@intarvo.com

(1) Registration in the Board is not mandatory to apply for the above said work. (2) The cost of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)/Bid security shall be paid in the form specified in the Bidding Documents. (3) Right to accept any tender and to reject any or all the tenders rests with the Chief Engineer, K.U.W.S and D. Board, Dharwad. (4) GST shall be paid to the Tendered amount separately. (5) It is mandatory to upload the various Technical & Financial eligibility requirements and also fill up the formats mentioned in various sections of bid document while submitting the bids. The incomplete bids shall be considered as substantially non-responsive.

Calendar of Events : (1) Date and time for commencement of downloading of tender document from the e-procurement portal. **05-03-2021** after 11.00 hours. (2) Pre-bid meeting : **09-03-2021** after 11.00 hours. (3) Last Date & Time for Bid Submission : **12-03-2021** upto 17:30 hours. (4) Date and Time of opening of Bid : **15-03-2021** after 11:00 hours.

For further details, the Office of the Chief Engineer, K.U.W.S & D. Board, Dharwad may please be contacted.

Sd/- (K.V. Srikeshava)
Chief Engineer,
DIPR/DWD/MCA/814/2020-21 KUWS & D Board, Dharwad.

ಮಂಗಳೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ

DMA/2020-21/WORK INDENT NO.110146/Call-2 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 04.03.2021

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ E-PROCUREMENT OF KARNATAKA

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಅಧ್ಯಾದೇಶ 1999–2000ರ ಪ್ರಕರ ಆಕ್ಟ್ 2000ರ ನಿಯಮದಂತೆ ಸ್ಟ್ಯಾಂಡರ್ಡ್ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯುಮೆಂಟ್ ಕೆ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ ನಿಯಮಾವಳಿಯ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಸೂಚಿಸಿರುವ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯನ್ನು ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ಅನುದಾನದಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **22.03.2021** ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರವನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

ಕ್ರ.ಸಂ.	ಕೆಲಸದ ಹೆಸರು	ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ
1	ಮ.ನ.ಪಾ. ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ ಒಳಚರಂಡಿ ವಿಭಾಗದ ಮಾಧವ ನಗರ ಒಳಚರಂಡಿ ತ್ಯಾಜ್ಯ ಸಂಸ್ಕರಣ ಘಟಕ, 3 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಮೆಟ್‌ವೆಲ್ ಹಾಗೂ 1 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆಯ ಇಂಟರ್ ಮೀಡಿಯೇಟ್ ಪಂಪಿಂಗ್ ಸ್ಟೇಷನ್ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ. **(Indent No.110146/Call-2)**	**99,68,000.00**

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಧಿಯಂತರರು, ಮಹಾನಗರಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು
DIPR/ADM/MCA/1017/20-21 dt: 5.3.2021

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA ZILLA PANCHAYATH, KOPPAL EXECUTIVE ENGINEER RURAL DRINKING WATER & SANITATION DIVISION, KOPPAL

NO.RWS/Dn//KPL//NRDWP/2020-21/2200 Date:04.03.2021

E-PROCURMENT TENDER NOTIFICATION
Double Cover System

On Behalf of Governor of Karnataka, Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water Supply & sanitation Division, Koppal Invites e-Tender for Jal Jeevan Mission The eligible bidders are requested to submit the Bid in Double Cover System through e-procurement mode through portol http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.

General Information: 1) Contractor should Submit the Tender Bid Documents Through Online Only. 2) All Documents Should be Scanned and Upload during the period of Applying Tender through Online Only. 3) EMD Amount Should be Submitted Through Online Only. 4) Two Cover Tender Called.

If any More Information Contractor should Contact this office or wide email id:eerwsskpl@gmail.com in Office Hours and Tenders will be Download from 06/03/2021

Tender Processing Fee : As Per E-Procurement. Tender Period : **6 Months.** If Any Quarries / Downloading Date : **15/03/2021 Time:11:00.** Tender Accepting Last Date and Time : **18/03/2021 Time 16:00.** Tehnical Bid Openng Date and Time : **19/03/2021 Date:17:00**

If any More Information Contractor should Contact this office or wide email id:eerwsskpl@gmail.com in Office Hours and also through Website http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- (S.M.Subhan Saheb), Executive Engineer
R.D.W & S .Division, Koppal
DIPR/Koppal/445/MCA/2019-20

Government of Karnataka
KARNATAKA FOREST DEPARTMENT HALIYAL DIVISION, HALIYAL

As per Government Notification No. FEE./168/FDP2017, Bangalore Dated: 14.11.2017, As per Government Notification No. FEE./168/FDP 2017, Bangalore Dated: 27.02.2018, As per APCCF(FRM) Bengaluru Office letter No. APCCF(FRM)/B3/Sales /CR-03/2019-20 Date: 25.02.2021

KARNATAKA FOREST CODE, 1976
APPENDIX XVIII A (Rule 64)

Detailed Notification for e-Tender cum Auction of Timber and Other Forest Produce in GTD Dandeli, Bhagawati, Jagalbet and Kulgi Depot of Haliyal Division, Haliyal

No: B5/DTS/FEBRUARY-2021/MSTC/CR-/2020-21 Date: 25.02.2021

It is hereby notified for the general information of the public that, the following kinds and quantity of Timber and other forest produce stocked and lotted in the **GTD Dandeli, Bhagawati, Jagalbet and Kulgi,** Government Timber Depots of **Haliyal Division, Haliyal** will be sold through the public e-tender cum auction method in one or more sessions from **25.03.2021 & 26.03.2021(All Four Sessions) GTD Dandeli Depot, 29.03.2021(I & II Session) in Bhagawati Depot, 29.03.2021 (III & IV Session) in Jagalbet Depot and 30.03.2021 (I & II Session) in Kulgi Depot** from **10.00 A.M** till the bidding for all lots is completed. The Sale Conducting Officer will be the Deputy Conservator of Forests, **Haliyal Division, Haliyal**.

For any Clarifications, you can contact:

Assistant Conservator of Forests, Govt. Timber Depot, Dandeli: **acfgtd.dandeli@gmail.com Ph: 08284-231237,** Range Forest Officer, Virnoli (Kulgi Depot): **virnolirfo96@gmail.com Ph: 08284-258050,** Range Forest Officer, Bhagawati: **bjtirfo97@gmail.com Ph: 08284-267818,** Range Forest Officer, Jagalbet: **rfojbt93@gmail.com Ph: 08383-252767, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Haliyal: dcfhaliyal@gmail.com Ph: 08284-220128**

Sri. Damodhar, Manager, MSTC Limited Bangalore Mob No: 9841002253

Sd/- Deputy Conservator of Forests,
DIPR/ADK/MCA/802/20-21 Dt.4.3.2021 Haliyal Division, Haliyal

UNION BANK OF INDIA

(A Govt. of India Undertaking)
R.T. NAGAR Brnach
Address: No. 75, 14th Cross, 1st Block, R.T. Nagar, Bangalore-560032.
Ph: 080-23541395,080-23549396, Mail Id: cb0656@unionbankofindia.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Properties))

Whereas, the under signed being the Authorised Officer of **Union Bank of India, R.T. Nagar, Branch,** under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 (Act No. 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notices dated **01.01.2020** calling upon the following Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice with further interest / cost etc., **within 60 days** from the date of the said notice. Details of demand notices such as date of issue and loan outstanding amount are mentioned against each borrower under.

1. **Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers:M/s. Digital Splash Prop Mr. V Venkatraju**
   Demand notice dated : 01.01.2020 Possession Notice Date : 25.01.2021
   Total amount mentioned in the notice: Rs.28,14,043.90 /- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakh Fourteen Thousand Forty Three and Ninety Paise Only) as on **25.01.2021** and further interest & other contingents charges thereon.
2. **Name of the Borrowers / Mortgagers : M/s. Rang Fashions Prop Mr. V. Venkataraju**
   Demand notice dated : 01.01.2020 Possession Notice Date : 25.01.2021
   Total amount mentioned in the notice: Rs.27,62,384/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakh Sixty Two Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty Four Only) as on **25.01.2021** and further interest & other contingents charges thereon.
   Description of Immovable Property: All that part of the property of house Property No. 409, PID No.033-W0299-66, 2nd Cross, Ist Block, RT Nagar, Bangalore-560032, Measuring East to West-23.9 Feet & North to South-50.19 Feet, Totally Measuring 1280.9 Sq. Feet, together with the residential building comprising of Ground & 1st Floor.

The above borrowers / Mortgagers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers and the public in general that the under signed has taken symbolic possession of the properties described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said act read with the rule 8 of the said Rules on above dates. The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, R T Nagar Branch** for the amount mentioned against their names with further interest accrued thereon cost.

Date : 25.01.2021 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place : Bangalore Union Bank of India

PUBLIC NOTICE

We Sri. Anjanappa, aged about 75 years, Son of late Seerappa and my sons Sri. Ravikumar aged about 51 years and Sri. Lokesh aged about 49 and my late father Seerappa, residing at Abbigere Village, Chikkabanavara post, Bangalore-560 090, have cancelled General Power of Attorney executed before 2003.

We have executed General Power of Attorney appointing different person in deferent dates in respect of deferent sites before the Notary Public, in respect of sites formed in land bearing Sy. No.11/2, measuring 1 acre 39 guntas situated at Abbigere Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, to do the acts and deeds in respect of the above said property.

The Said Seerappa was expired in the year 2003. The GPA executed above persons in respect of the sites formed in the land bearing Sy. No.11/2, measuring 1 acre 39 guntas situated at Abbigere Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, were not valid herein after words. If anybody wants any transaction of the above said sites in the said survey number, may contact below mentioned person/s.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of land bearing Sy. No.11/2, measuring 1 acre 39 guntas situated at Abbigere Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk.

1. **Sri. Anjanappa,** Son of late Seerappa.
2. **Sri. Ravikumar,** Son of Sri. Anjanappa.
3. **Sri. Lokesh,** Son of Sri. Anjanappa Phone No.7760585758

A. LOKESH, No. 62, Abbigere Main Road, Kammagondanahalli, Jalahalli West, Bangalore-560015.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This public notice is published for the General Public or whom so ever having any interest regarding the below mentioned property and we here by publishing this notice as below. My client **Dr Kumaraswamy. K,** S/o Krishanappa aged about 49 years and **Dr Thejaswini. J,** W/o Kumaraswamy, aged about 39 years both are residing at No 245/1A,Govinda shetty palaya road, Konappana Agrahara, Electronic city Near Anugraha Hospital Bangalore 560100, had entered into agreement of sale dated 02.11.2020 With Dr B.V. Rama Mohan S/o Vishwanath setty, 72 years R/A at No 27, "Lakshmi Nilaya" 1st Cross, 8th Main, Mahalakshmi layout Bangalore- 560096 pertaining to the property bearing No.1420/A, 21st Main road Ward No 174, Hosur Sarjapur Road layout Sector-1, measuring East to west 18.28 Meters and North to South 12.19 Meters, In all measuring 222.83 Sq meters, said land Bounded on **East by:** Road, **West by:** Site No 1422/A, **North by:** Site No 1421, **South by:** property No 1420.

Wherefore, we the Advocate below who is representing Dr Kumaraswamy.K and Dr Thejaswini. J do hereby issue this Public Notice Noticing the General public or whom so ever concern or anyone interested in the above defined property to raise their objections, clarification, quires or if any dispute with regard to the property above defined, if they are interested or their right is involved in any kind with regard to the proposed purchasing property above defined such persons can approach the below advocates for resolving the issues involved, on the other hand if no one has raised any objections or quires ***within 15 days*** from the publication of this notice, it is deemed that No one is having any queries, dispute, right, interest or objections with the above defined property to made over to our client by the Vendor stated above.

Sd/-
P.B. Vijayakumar, Jayavantharaju, Advocates
No 314, 3rd floor K.K.S Building, Gandhinagar, Bangalore 5600009
Mob: 9886161445 & 9980407051

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GULBARGA ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED

(Wholly Owned Govt. of Karnataka Undertaking)
No: SEE/BLY/EEE(O)/AEEE(O)/2020-21/F-74/CYS-12 Date: 26-02-2021

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Gulbarga Electricity Supply Company Limited (GESCOM) invites tenders in O& M Circle, ballari for the following works in Two Tender Document system through E-procurement mode only.

Tender-54: Work of Shifting of Transformers from Hazardous location to safe location and providing HT/LT Arial Bunched Cables to HT/LT lines in Hazardous locations in Hospet Town section under Total Turn Key Basis from eligible bidders.

The bid documents will be available on https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in on or after 06-03-2021. For more enquiry contact 08392-274084 during office hours.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Ele), O&M Circle, GESCOM, Ballari

For Electricity Complaints Call 1912 Download URJA MITRA APP

KALABURAGI MAHANAGARA PALIKE, KALABURAGI

No: KMP/EE/DB/15th Finance/05/2020-21 date: 04-03-2021

E-PROCUREMENT TENDER

Notification No. : 05/2020-21, dtd: 05-03-2021

1) Kalaburagi Mahanagara Palike, Kalaburagi invites 05 tenders as per KTPP act, 1999 and Rules, 2000 through e-procurement Portal in KW- 1, 3 & 4 bid documents under 15th Finance scheme for the year 2020-21. The bid documents can be downloaded from e-portal website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in after 05-03-2021, 2) Estimate Sanction cost: lowest amount: Rs.15.00 lakhs & Highest amount :Rs. 183.62 lakhs, 3) Last date of Bid Submission: 12-03-2021 upto 4-30 pm, 4) Technical Bid Opening date: 15-03-2021 after 4-35 pm, 5) Financial Bid Opening date: 18-03 -2021 after 11:30 am. 6) Office Address : Executive Engineer, Kalaburagi Mahanagara Palike, Kalaburagi. 7) For more details visit Office Website http://www.kalaburagicity.mrc.gov.in/

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
DIP/Kalaburagi/1036/MC&A/2020-21 Kalaburagi Mahanagara Palike, Kalaburagi.

KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED

(A GOVT OF KARNATAKA ENTERPRISE)
Office of Executive Engineer, KNNL, Bhima Lift Irrigation Scheme, Division, Afzalpur- 585301, Email: eeblis@rediffmail.com
No: EE/KNNL/BLIS/AFZ/BARRAGE/2020-21/964 DATE :18/02/2021

PERCENTAGE SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION. (only Through e-procurement)

On behalf of Managing Director, KNNL, Bengaluru, the Executive Engineer,KNNL, Bhima Lift Irrigation Scheme, Division, Afzalpur invites percentage Tenders for the below mentioned works from eligible contractors,

1) Name of work : Providing Epoxy Painting to Service Gates, Replacement of Lifting Beam to Gantry Crane, Fixing of Roller Bearings & Other Allied Works for Sonna Barrage under Bhima Lift Irrigation Scheme in AfzalpurTaluka (Id-30976), 2) Approximate amount put to tender (Rs. Lakhs) : 267.83/-, 3) EMD (Rs.) : 3,00,000/-, 4) Tender Processing Fee (Non refundable) : As per E-procurement, 5) Eligible contractor : KNNL category-I, 6) Stipulated period of Work : 3 Months.

The dates fixed for submission of tenders through eprocurement is from 02.03.2021 upto 10.03.2021 4.00 PM .Technical Bid will be opened on 11.03.2021, for further information, the undersigned may be contacted during office hours, and website: www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in, Helpline of HP organization is 080-23010900 / 080-23010901

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
KNNL, Bhima Lift Irrigation Scheme, Afzalpur-585301
DIP/Kalaburagi/1033/MC&A/2020-21

CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICE

CHANGE OF NAME

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I, **R.V Charleston** son of Vincent Paul aged about 57 years residing at No 37, Hennur Bagaluru Road, Bidarahalli Hobli, Kannur, Bengaluru - 562 149. As My name inadvertently has been mentioned as **Charlston** in few documents instead of **R.V Charleston.** Henceforth in all my transaction will be made in th name of **R.V Charleston.** sworn before the notary **Madam.Gowthami** Bengaluru - 04.03.2021

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **CHAYADEVI .V @ CHAYA,** W/o Prakash Narayanaswamy, R/a #287, Railway Station Layout, Panathur, Bengaluru East, Bengaluru-560103, have changed my name to **CHAYA .V,** vide affidavit dated 05th March 2021, sworn before Notary **S.I. BALAGURU,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MONICA B R** W/o **EMMANUEL J,** R/at No.68, 1st Cross, Subbanna Garden, Behind BTS Garrage, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560040, have changed my name to **MONICA EMMANUEL** vide affidavit dated:4/3/2021 Before Notary **Jalandhara** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, S.GEETHA, Spouse of No. 15315787H HAV Vinod.L.R. #9, 1st Cross, Sampangi Road, RS Palyam, Bangalore North Maruthi Seva Nagar, Karnataka-560033, have changed my name from **S.GEETHA** to **GEETHA VINOD** vide affidavit Dated 04/03/2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I,**SAMHITHA SHARATH REDDY** D/o. Sharath Chandra Reddy , I am changing my name to **SAMHITHA REDDY**. resident No. 12/16, Bhavapriya Nandi Garden Apartments, Phase -2, Alahalli Anjanapura Post, J P Nagar, Anjanapura, Bangalore Vide Affidavit dated.05.03.2021 before Notary Chandrakala, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **CHIKKANNA AGARA HANUMAIAH** (New Name) S/o Hanumaiah, aged about 48 years, R/a No. 86, Kanakapura Main Road, Near Milk Dairy, Agara, Bengaluru South, Tataguni, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560062 have changed my name from **CHIKKANNA HANUMANNA** (Old Name) to **CHIKKANNA AGARA HANUMAIAH** (New Name), vide affidavit dated 04-03-2021, before Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Smt. SHRAVANI,** aged 23 years, W/o. Sri. Krishna Swaroop Achanta, residing at H.No. 6, 13th Main, 19th Cross, Revenue Layout, Padmanabhanagar, Bangalore - 560 070, have changed my name from **SHRAVANI H.S.** to **SHRAVANI KRISHNA SWAROOP** vide affidavit dated 02.03.2021 sworn before Advocate & Notary P.N. Nagesha, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SERVICE NO. 16113844M HAV Aleem Mohammad Abdul, Unit 'Y' Coy TRG BN-III, MEG & Centre, Bangalore-560033, have changed my Father name from **RAZAAK ABDUL** to **ABDUL RAZAK** DOB from 01/07/1963 to 24/01/1960 and Mother name from **RABYA** to **RABIYA BEGUM** DOB from 01/07/1968 to 10/03/1968 vide affidavit Dated 04/03/2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHANKAR S.R.** S/o Mr. Rudrappa, aged about 38 years, R/a No. 3084, 9th Cross, Gayathrinagar, Bangalore North, Bengaluru-560021, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SHANKARAPPA S.R.** to **SHANKAR .S.R,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SHANKAR .S.R** only, vide affidavit dated 05-03-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **ARAVIND PATIL .G.G** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **VAISHNAVI KUMAR RAMAMURTHY SANKAR** (New Name) aged about 19 years, D/o Sankar Kumar Ramamurthy, R/a No. 90, 104, 2nd Cross Road, Nandidurga Road, Benson Town, Bengaluru-560046, Karnataka have changed my name from **VAISHNAVI SANKAR KUMAR** (Old Name) to **VAISHNAVI KUMAR RAMAMURTHY SANKAR** (New Name), vide affidavit dated 04-03-2021, before Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, VIBHA CHANDRASHEKAR KASHYAP, D/o Late Chandrashekar Gattadahalli Kolluraiah, Aged about 27 years, Residing at No.1741, 6th Main, BEML 5th Stage, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bangalore-560098, have changed my name to VIBHA KASHYAP
Vide affidavit dated 05-03-2021 sworn before notary, Mamatha N.K, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, MUNAVAR SHERIFF ANWAR SHERIFF SHAIKH, R/at No.6, 7th B Cross, Bazaar Street, Neelsandra, Bangalore-560047, have changed my name to **MUNAWAR SHERIFF** vide affidavit dated 03.03.2021 Before Notary MAMATHA N.K., Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **JAYAPRAKASH MUNINANJAPPA SHAMANNA REDDY @ JAYA PRAKASH .M.S,** S/o Shamanna Reddy Muninanjappa, R/a No. 99, Jai Nilaya, Shamanna Reddy Building, ITPL Road, Opp. Hypercity, Kundalahalli Gate, Bengaluru-560037, have changed my name to **JAI PRAKASH REDDY SHAMANNA REDDY,** vide affidavit dated 22-02-2021 before Notary **H G Venkataramu,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **PRAKASH .G,** S/o Nagaiah .G, R/a #T-6, 13th Cross, Opp Hebron Church, HAL-GBJ Colony, New Township, Bengaluru-560037, declare that correct name of my son is **VENKATA YOGESH GOPIDESI AND G. VENKATA YOGESH** (As per School) and **GOPIDESI VENKATA YOGESH** (as per Birth Certificate) is incorrect, vide affidavit dated 03-03-2021, sworn before **XXIV ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SRUJAN JAI SURYA.G.,** Residing at No.999, Sapthagiri Nilaya, Near Fathima School, Kannurhalli Road, Hoskote, Bangalore Rural-562114, have changed my Name from **SRUJAN GANGADHAR** to **SRUJAN JAI SURYA.G.** (DOB-19-04-2001), vide affidavit dated:19-02-2021, sworn before Notary, T.C.Thimmaraja, Bangalore.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I, GAWAI MEENA GUNWANTRAO, is legally wedded spouse of Army No.15349397M Rank Hav Name GAWAI GUNWANTRAO LAXMAN, residing at ADMC, Near Ayyappa Temple, Banaswadi, M.S.Nagar, Bangalore -560033. That in the service records of my husband, wherein my name is mentioned as **SMT SAWDEKAR MEENA RATAN.** That I have changed my name from **SMT SAWDEKAR MEENA RATAN** to **GAWAI MEENA GUNWANTRAO (NEW NAME)** before C.Santhosh, Notary, dated 02/03/2021 at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **KRUPA .N @ KRUPA JAYAPRAKASH @ KRUPA,** W/o S. Jai Prakash Reddy, R/a No. 99, Jai Nilaya, Shamanna Reddy Building, ITPL Road, Opp. Hypercity, Kundalahalli Gate, Bengaluru-560037, have changed my name to **KRUPA JAI PRAKASH REDDY,** vide affidavit dated 05th March 2021 sworn before Notary **S.I. BALAGURU,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ABHARANA SHIVAKUMAR** D/o **D.K.SHIVAKUMAR.,** R/at No.602-A5, 18th Cross, Upper Palace Orchads, Sadashivanagar, Bengaluru-560080 have changed my name to **AABHARANA.D.K.S** vide affidavit dated:5/3/2021 Before Notary **H.S.Sakalesh Aradhya** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, BAIRATHI ASHOK LITHESH, S/o. B.M. Ashok, Resident of No. 516, Byrathi, Hennur Main Road, Dr. Shivarama Karantha Nagar Post, Bengaluru-560077 have changed my name to BYRATHI ASHOK LITHESH vide Affidavit dated 01.03.2021, sworn to before Notary D. Rajanna Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SAI SUGUNA SRINIJA VANKA, D/o Srinivasa Rao Vanka, R/at Flat No 303A Raghuram Regency No 44 M S R Ross Gokula Bengaluru 560054, have changed my name to **SRINIJA VANKA** vide affidavit dt 03/03/2021 before notary K S Nataraja Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SHARADAMMA GANGAIAH, W/o Gangaiah Karshingalli Papaiah R/at No 41 2nd Main Road, 22nd Cross Govindarajanagar, Bengaluru 560040, have changed my name to **SHARADAMMA** vide affidavit Dt 03/03/2021before notary K S Nataraja Bangalore.

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No. RDW&S/BGM/PB-2,4/TND-96/KW-4/2020-21/4488 Date: 04/03/2021

ITEM RATE RE-TENDER NOTIFICATION (E-PROCUREMENT)

The Tender Notification NO:. 1)RDW&S/BGM/PB-2,/TND-87/KW-4/2020-21/4224 Dated:15-02-2021,2)RDW&S/BGM/PB-4,/TND-43/KW-4/2020-21/2723 Dated 30-11-2020 has been earlier published from this office has been extended as below.

1) Tender Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on 08-03-2021 at 11.30 AM. At Office of Executive Engineer, R. W. & S Division, Belagavi
2) last date & time for receipt of tenders: 12-03-2021 before 05:30PM 3)Date & time for opening of Technical Bid: 15-03-2021 after 11:00AM 4) Date & time for opening of Financial Bid: After technical bid is approved

INDENT No-31615/Call-3, Amount put to tender: Rs. 139.25 Lakhs. EMD: Rs.2.09 Lakhs Period: 120 Days, Class of contractor: Class III & above
INDENT No-31609/Call-3, Amount put to tender: Rs. 216.80 Lakhs, EMD: Rs.3.25 Lakhs Period: 120 Days, Class of contractor: Class II & above
INDENT No-27697/Call-4, Amount put to tender: Rs. 118.82 Lakhs, EMD; Rs.2.00 Lakhs Period: 120 Days, Class of contractor: Class III & above
INDENT No-27801/Call-2, Amount put to tender: Rs. 110.09 Lakhs, EMD; Rs.2.00 Lakhs Period: 120 Days, Class of contractor: Class III & above

Note:- other conditions, eligibility criteria are as published in e-procurement portal. More details can be had from the office of the undersigned and also through website www.eproc.Kamataka.gov.in by clicking list of Tenders which will link to all dept works list.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
DIPO/BGM/RONO.1497/20-21 RDW & S Division, Belagavi.

A flyer from Dubai was nabbed by Customs officials at KIA on Thursday for smuggling items worth Rs 23,28,740. "Two gold chains weighing 140 gm and 12 iPhones assembled in China were among the things seized from his baggage," the official said.

Swapna revealed roles of Pinarayi, speaker in statement: Customs

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Kochi

CUSTOMS on Friday informed the High Court that Swapna Suresh, the prime accused in the gold smuggling case, has stated that foreign currency was smuggled at the insistence of Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan and Speaker P Sreeramakrishnan with the help of the UAE Consulate.

Customs Commissioner Sumit Kumar informed the court that Swapna, in her statements, also revealed Pinarayi's close connection with the previous UAE consul-general and the 'illegal' monetary transactions. The commissioner said Swapna had also made shocking revelations about the CM, speaker and three ministers in the state cabinet. Her close connection with the CM, his former principal secretary M Sivasankar and a personal staff member was also disclosed in her statement. The commissioner made the statement in response to a petition filed by the director-general of prisons against certain remarks in a special court order regarding providing security to Swapna, who is now housed at the Attakulangara women's jail in Thiruvananthapuram.

Swapna had further stated about the improper and illegal activities of the three ministers and the speaker, the statement said. She had also revealed the involvement of high-profile persons and the kickbacks they received from various deals. She was aware of all these transactions and was a witness to them as she was well versed in Arabic language and had acted as a translator in these 'crucial' deals, it said.

Sivasankar's role in actingas a link between the high-profile politicians of the state and the UAE Consulate officials and in coordinating the illegal financial dealings under the cover of various activities of the government was also revealed by her, said the statement.

Customs was prepared to produce in a sealed cover before the court the copies of Swapna's statement recorded under Section 164 of CrPC and under Section 108 of the Customs Act. In fact, most of the facts revealed by her were matters exclusively within her personal knowledge and could be tendered as evidence in appropriate proceedings.

'CM panicking over new expose'

Pathanamthitta: Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan panicked over the revelations by the central probe agencies, claimed BJP state president K Surendran. Speaking to media persons in Konni on Friday, he asked why the CM was being hysterical over the findings of the central agencies.

COUNTDOWN TO APRIL 6

Here's a list of candidates announced by AIADMK on Friday

Edappadi K Palaniswami
Edappadi

O Panneerselvam
Bodinayakkanur

D Jayakumar
Royapuram

CVe Shanmugam
Villupuram

Shanmuganathan
Srivaikuntam

S Thenmozhi
Nilakkottai (SC)

AIADMK leaders Edappadi K Palaniswami and O Panneerselvam wave at supporters after releasing the first list of candidates at the party headquarters, in Chennai on Friday | ASHWIN PRASATH

AIADMK releases first list of candidates amid cheer

EPS to contest from Edappadi, Deputy CM OPS from Bodinayakkanur

T MURUGANANDHAM @Chennai

THE ruling AIADMK on Friday released its first list of six candidates, including Chief Minister and the party's joint coordinator, Edappadi K Palaniswami, and Deputy Chief Minister and AIADMK coordinator, O Panneerselvam, for the Assembly elections, scheduled for April 6. All the six candidates will be contesting the polls from their current constituencies.

A decision in this regard was taken during a party meeting in Chennai on the day. Soon after the list was made public, the AIADMK cadre gathered at the party headquarters and distributed sweets among themselves. The cadre also cheered when Palaniswami and Panneerselvam emerged out of their chambers, and showed the victory symbol.

The other candidates whose names feature in the first list are -- Fisheries Minister D Jayakumar (Royapuram constituency), Law Minister CVe Shanmugam (Villupuram constituency), SP Shanmuganathan (Srivaikuntam constituency), and S Thenmozhi (Nilakkottai constituency). Palaniswami and Panneerselvam will be contesting from Edappadi and Bodinayakkanur constituencies, respectively. Incidentally, all the six candidates belong to different communities.

Palaniswami and Panneerselvam, throughout the day, interacted with the secretaries of 73 party districts about selection of candidates and other related issues. With its arch-rival, DMK, planning to field strong candidates against the entire sitting Cabinet, the AIADMK, too, is weighing pros and cons of each ticket aspirant.

Meanwhile, DMK's candidates list for the upcoming Assembly general election will be released on March 10, said DMK president MK Stalin in the district secretaries meeting, held through video conference on Friday. To discuss the special meeting scheduled in Tiruchy on Sunday, a video conference meeting was held with DMK district secretaries.

Kasturirangan praises PM, says science has benefited

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Tumakuru

FORMER ISRO Chairman and head of the draft committee of National Education Policy 2020 Dr K Kasturirangan lauded the efforts of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, saying he had "transformed the country through his visionary policies on education, innovation and in fostering science and technology".

"A sum of Rs 15,000 crore has been earmarked for science-related ministries in the Union Budget 2021-22. The Prime Minister spoke to the scientist community through a webinar a couple of days ago, on the urgency to bring in change. Universities have many opportunities to play a decisive role in nation building," he remarked at the 14th annual convocation of Tumkur University (TU) here on Friday.

He felt the NEP envisages liberal education and has been crafted to touch the life of every citizen and create a just and equitable society.

He praised Karnataka Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa and Higher Education Minister Dr C N Ashwath Narayan for calling him to discuss the NEP, which pays special attention to the promotion of Indian languages, arts and culture. "Learning through the mother tongue will have its own impact on the process of learning," he added.

While Nagarahole Reserve burned, foresters were cooking, celebrating

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

THE target of the forest department and state government to ensure zero forest fires this year has failed as the fire in the Nagarahole Tiger Reserve (NTR) has become a major cause of concern. Conservationists and experts said that the fire occurred because staffers let their guard down as they were busy celebrating World Wildlife Day and observing the 3rd death anniversary of deceased IFS officer S Manikandan.

As per assessments made by forest department staffers, the fire has laid waste to 20 hectares of land in Damanakatte in the Udbur range. They said that it was a ground fire and cases have been filed. The hunt for the accused is on.

"The place where the fire broke out is just 50- 100 metres from the forest boundary and it is 10 km away from the place where the celebrations were taking place. Forest officials let their guard down as they did not check how miscreants entered and set off the fire. Since the location is not far from the Udbur gate and the watch tower, they should have been more alert. It is also shocking that food was being prepared inside the forest as part of the celebrations. Such activities are inadvisable inside forests especially during summer," said an expert.

Forest officials admitted laxity on ground and that there was only a small number of staffers on duty along with patrolling teams while others were at the event.

A senior forest official, on condition of anonymity, said, "Just a little distance away from Udbur gate, is a portion of land where the forest shares its boundary with the revenue land. Miscreants entered the forest there and set off a ground fire. We cannot sack the lethargic staffers as they are locals and this will make them more aggressive posing a greater danger to the forests. Weather alerts were not shared. All these factors led to the fire."

Big Bang bust? Scientists present robust data

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THE researchers have found that the red shift does not occur in a uniform manner, but in recurring stages, what they refer to as periodicity in red shift.

"The red shift in astronomical observation is attributed to the expanding model of the universe. One such popular model is the Big Bang model. As the change in wavelength is happening due to the expansion of the universe, the red shifts are supposed to be continuous and uniform in nature. On the contrary, our rigorous analysis of the data from Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS)DR12 showed the existence of periodicity of red shifts of galaxy and quasar," Prof Roy told *TNIE*.

The Indian astrophysicists used a technique called singular value decomposition method, as against the standard spectral estimation approach that was used in discovering the uniform red shift that supports Big Bang theory.

"The superiority of the singular value decomposition method in analysing red shift periodicity, especially from the point of view of robustness, is demonstrated through the simulations. We took very large data samples and used a statistical method, which is more robust than the method usually dealt with by astronomers," Prof Roy said.

Interestingly, although this is not the first time that the Big Bang theory has been challenged, the previous challenges were based on much smaller sample sizes. The Steady State Theory, Gravitational Lending Model, Tired Photon Hypothesis, Variable Mass Hypothesis have all challenged the Big Bang theory in the past.

"But the problem with each of them was the sample size. The renowned physicist, late Stephen Hawking, and his collaborators had stated that the criticism levelled against the theories challenging the Big Bang is because the samples of red shifts that were analysed were rather small and selected in a heterogeneous manner, which made it hard to assess their significance," Prof Roy said.

The latest findings by the astrophysicists is also found to be compatible with the Fred Hoyle-Jayant Narlikar variable mass theory which hypothesized that quasars are born in and ejected from the nuclei of parent galaxies as massless objects and the particle masses in them systematically increase with epoch. "Our findings may support some alternate models like Hoyle-Narlikar variable mass theory on the existence of periodicity of red shifts. Their idea is shown to be compatible with the empirical observations on periodicity of red shifts," Prof Roy said. In 1973, astronomer William G Tifft was the first to report the non-uniform nature of the red shifts, or the periodicity of red shifts. Subsequently, several astrophysicists, including India's world-renowned Prof Jayant Narlikar, analysed the data and claimed that such periodicity of red shift for galaxy and quasar exists.

EXPRESS READ

Screen infants for speech, hearing issues: MP

Mysuru: Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha on Friday stressed on the need to compulsorily screen children below the age of one for hearing and speech impairments and appealed to All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) officials to come up with a vision document. Speaking during a programme organised by AIISH as part of World Hearing Day in Mysuru on Friday, Simha said many children were diagnosed with speech and hearing impairments at a later stage as parents fail to get them screened. "Early detection can help in diagnosis and treatment," he said.

TTD to not take over any more temples

Tirumala: The Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) will not take over temples anymore. The TTD has taken over 32 temples since 1982. Speaking to the media on the sidelines of Dial Your EO Programme in Tirumala on Friday, TTD Executive Officer KS Jawahar Reddy said a decision to this effect was taken in the Trust Board meeting after a lengthy discussion. The TTD has been incurring heavy expenditure on maintenance of the temples taken over by it. Adding to this, the absorption of the temple employees into the TTD is leading to service issues. ENS

Travel curbs to be modified: State to Court

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE State Government on Friday informed the Karnataka High Court that it has proposed to modify the restrictions imposed on inter-state travellers amidst the spike in Covid-19 cases in Kerala.

The Government Advocate made the submission to that effect when a division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice S Vishwajith Shetty pointed out that the state government should be bound by the guidelines issued by the Centre on inter-state travel.

The court, which was hearing a PIL filed by one Subbaya Rai, suggested the state to create infrastructure at border checkposts for RT-PCR tests, so that travellers can benefit from it, and they cross the border only if their reports came negative.

HC seeks clarity on lakes' survey

The high court on Friday asked the state to inform whether the ongoing survey of lakes across the state was also covering the 30-metre area of buffer zones. A division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice S Vishwajith Shetty passed the order after taking note of no clarity on the issue in the report on the status of the lakes' survey being done based on the court's directions. ENS

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No. SEE/T(W&M)/MYS/EEE(O)/AEE-2/20-21/8426-28 Date: 05.03.2021

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through e-Procurement Mode Only)

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited, invites bids Vide Enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/TCM/Gangmen/70 Dtd:18.12.2020/Call-2/177 Dt:04.03.2021 for **"Providing manpower services for carrying out maintenance services of Transmission Lines, pertaining to Hootgally and NRM section, KPTCL, Mysuru**

The details regarding participation in the e-tendering process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website: **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** on hyperlink **"e-Procurement-KPTCL"** or **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in on or after 08.03.2021.** Any other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- **Superintending Engineer, Elecl,**
Transmission (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, 1st Floor, Prasarana Bhavana, FTS Compound, N.R. Mohalla, Mysuru-570007, Ph: 0821-2455018

Chai pe awareness: Official washes cups to root out casteism

A video clip showing tahsildar Ashappa Pujar washing a tea cup at a hotel in Horogeri village in Gadag district

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @Gadag

A small and yet kind gesture of Mundaragi Tahsildar Ashappa Pujar, to enlighten the torch-bearers of untouchability, has moved residents of Horogeri village in the district. A video showing Pujar washing teacups at a hotel in the village has gone viral, attracting praises from many.

After receiving complaints from villagers regarding practices of untouchability in the area, Pujar visited one of the hotels to check for himself.

According to the villagers, some residents do not open their hotels if there is any marriage or any other function being held in a Scheduled Caste family. Despite persuasion from local leaders and of neighbouring villages, the practice continues unabated.

An incident of caste discrimination, which took place two days back, was brought to the notice of tahsildar Pujar. He rushed to the village and held a meeting with villagers on Tuesday. He was accompanied by circle police inspector Sudhir Kumar, Social Welfare Department assistant director Udaykumar Yalivar and others. The hotel owners and others were asked to stop following such practices and were warned of legal action.

Commenting on the viral video, Pujar said, "After receiving complaints on untouchability, a few officers and I held a meeting with hotel owners. We had tea with the villagers. I did not intend to wash the tea cups. While answering a question, I was just showing them that if I washed teacups, nothing will happen. Every work has its recognition. But I wish to say that we should all fight together to root out such bad practices from society."

Sanjeevkumar Patil, a local, said, "We went inside the hotel and were having tea. The tahsildar had tea and went near the washing area, he suddenly took other teacups and washed them, and also told people to root out evil systems from the village. We were surprised to see such a moment."

> *I wish to say that we should all fight together to root out such bad practices from society*
> **Ashappa Pujar, Mundaragi Tahsildar**

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER (e-tendering Mode)

निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना (ई–निविदा विधि)

NIT No.: 123/PCD/C/2020-21/III Call

The Executive Engineer, Postal Civil Division, No.5, Ethiraj Salai, Chennai-600 008 invites on behalf of the President of India, **online percentage bids** for the following works from the approved and eligible contractors.

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Tender ID: 123/PCD/C/2020-21/III Call

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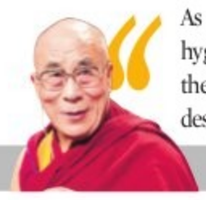

As we teach children to observe physical hygiene for its health benefits, we need to teach them to cultivate emotional hygiene—to tackle destructive emotions and find peace of mind

Dalai Lama

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TAKEAWAYS FOR CENTRE FROM SPECTRUM AUCTION

Telecom spectrum was auctioned after a gap of five years, but it didn't fetch a fortune. If spectrum across seven bands worth ₹3.92 lakh crore was up for sale, only ₹77,800 crore worth was sold. The government reasoned that the sum exceeded its expectations, but truth is, it amounts to 19% of the anticipated revenue and 37% of the spectrum on the block. Worse, there were no takers for the premium 700 MHz and 2500 MHz bands due to high reserve price. Unlike in the past, this round also saw only three bidders—Reliance Jio, Bharti Airtel and Vodafone Idea —which also partly explains why only a third of the total lot had buyers.

Analysts believe both Jio and Airtel, which bought spectrum in big chunks (Jio being the biggest bidder), will improve their network coverage and quality. Both announced their readiness for 5G, and their service will give one the edge over the other. Jio, which has only 4G subscribers, has flexibility and the latest auction further supports its ambition to pocket half of the customer base. But incumbents Airtel and Vodafone Idea have legacy 2G and 3G networks, and the switch to 4G and beyond is inevitable even if it means offering lucrative plans to retain subscribers. Currently, 4G plans gain more bang for the buck and since the penetration is about 50-55%, there's plenty of room for operators to improve their average revenue per user.

But telcos' high debt levels, which is expected to touch ₹5 lakh crore by next March, could put a spoke in the wheel. Newer player Jio's spectrum debt burden will shoot to $8.6 billion, 10% higher than Airtel's $7.9 billion, while Vodafone's $13 billion makes it the operator with the highest debt load. They also have unpaid statutory dues worth ₹1.38 lakh crore, which could bleed players like Vodafone. In future, there's plenty of spectrum to be sold and bought, but the government perhaps should reconsider selling it in limited amounts to ensure competitive pricing, besides pricing spectrum efficiently.

AAP RETAINS HOLD, GETS A REALITY CHECK

It was only a by-election in five municipal wards, but it showed that while the BJP juggernaut appears unstoppable elsewhere, it is the Aam Aadmi Party's election machinery that is well-oiled and revving in Delhi, though there are lessons for it too. Of the five wards that went to the elections, the ruling party in the national capital won four, wresting a seat from the BJP that was widely seen as a saffron bastion. The elections have only extended the misery of the BJP, which last ran the Delhi government in 1998. Ever since, it has had to play second fiddle, first to the Congress and now to the AAP. While the saffron party still heads all the three municipal corporations, that could be under threat when elections for the civic bodies are held in a year's time. The party has for long been leaderless, rudderless and directionless in Delhi. The AAP, in contrast, enjoys the people's trust, largely because of its clean image, pro-people policies and a considerably weakened opposition.

But the election result also has a lesson for the AAP. It got thrashed in a seat that it not only held but is located in an area where there is a strong minority presence and was the scene of the 2019 communal riots. The reasons are not far to seek. Not once did Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal or his colleagues in the Cabinet visit the riot-affected areas. Months earlier, they had also refused to extend support to anti-Citizenship Amendment Act protesters at Shaheen Bagh, perhaps fearing that they might lose Hindu votes in the elections to the Assembly and Lok Sabha. But the ruling party in Delhi was only following in the footsteps of the Congress, Trinamool Congress and others, which are trying to ape the BJP's use of religion for political mobilisation. Such a narrative poses a threat to India's secular fabric. Minority appeasement is bad, but so is majority communalism. It's time to vaccinate the body politic from the communal virus.

India has to look at chip fabrication as a strategic industry and get directly involved in it. Being entirely dependent on global supply chains for something this critical is not wise

DEALING WITH SEMICONDUCTOR NATIONALISM

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A global shortage of semiconductor chips is disrupting automobile manufacturing. From the US to India, automakers have had to reduce production and shut down plants. The losses of revenues and profits add up to millions of dollars. It is not just the auto industry that is worrying about chip scarcity. Chips are in everything today—from consumer durables like televisions and washing machines to cameras and WiFi routers, from cars to mobile phones, power grids and telecom towers.

The pandemic had increased the demand for devices, and mobile phone, tablet and laptop manufacturers have snapped up all available chips. Auto firms had initially reduced chip orders during the pandemic and manufacturers had diverted supplies to other buyers.

Chip production is concentrated in the Asia Pacific region—Taiwan, South Korea, Japan, China and Singapore. Chip fabrication plants are running at full capacities but many analysts predict the shortage could go on till 2022 or longer because chip demand in every device is going up.

The chip business is segmented into integrated players such as Intel that design and manufacture their own chips; chip design companies such as Qualcomm; and pure chip fabrication foundries or FABs such as Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company (TSMC), GlobalFoundries of the US or Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation (SMIC) of China. Some companies like Samsung design chips but also have huge FAB capacity for other designers.

Chip nationalism—where countries with chip capacities are trying to ensure that they tie-up supplies and stocks for their requirements first—is going to create additional problems for those that do not have their own production facilities.

In the US, both Republicans and Democrats are worried enough about the chip shortage to propose a law that will allocate billions of dollars to increase development and manufacturing of chips in the nation and reduce outside dependence. Though the US has a lot of production capacity, its demand outstrips its supplies and lately, it has depended heavily on global suppliers in South Korea, China and Taiwan.

In China, the government is ramping up capabilities too. Till recently, China was considered to be lagging behind the US when it came to chip designs. And it was also behind Taiwan, South Korea and the US in terms of sophisticated FABs that churn out the most advanced chips. China has many foundries but Taiwan and South Korea's newest FABs are far more advanced.

India finds itself in a not-too-happy position in this regard. While it has a decent chip design talent, it never built up chip FAB capacity. The ISRO has a FAB foundry and the DRDO has one too. But they are primarily for the requirements of the respective organisations and also not as sophisticated as the latest in the world.

Since 2006, different governments have tried to get companies to set up FAB units in India without success. Two separate consortia had expressed interest earlier but failed to get their act together or backed out for some reason.

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Part of the problem is the investment required and the technology that needs to be mastered. The latest TSMC state-of-the-art FAB unit costs over $13 billion to build. Even smaller and less sophisticated foundries would require several billion dollars of investment. FAB plants also require a lot of land, clean water, stable power and a highly skilled workforce. Above all, FAB companies look at the long term—10 to 15 years—when deciding on geography. They need policy stability, assured demand and long-term incentives.

The MEITY has again sought expression of interest for setting up a FAB plant in India or in acquiring one abroad. Will it yield any better results than earlier?

One thing that has turned in India's favour is domestic demand. By some estimates, India accounts for 5% of the world's chip demand and the country's consumption is growing at 25% per annum. This could be attractive to a global FAB manufacturer.

But that alone might not be enough. The government needs to look at chip fabrication as a strategic industry where it needs to get involved and invest in, just as China is doing.

While the government plans to reduce its business footprint by divesting off most non-strategic Public Sector Enterprises (PSEs), it needs to remember that the original reason for setting up government-owned units in any country has been the need to build capacity and expertise in areas where the private sector was either unwilling or incapable.

The DRDO and ISRO foundries only cater to their requirements. The government could look at using one of the other PSEs—say, Bharat Electronics Ltd or Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd—to set up a foundry with the help of a global major. Allowing management a free hand in a joint venture where the global major has brought in technical expertise, as was done when Maruti was originally set up, and providing long-term policy stability along with proper incentives could well lead to success where earlier attempts failed.

India needs to understand what the US, China, South Korea and Japan have long known—that being entirely dependent on global supply chains for something as critical as chips, which are at the heart of all modern machines, is not a wise policy.

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IS THE INDIA-PAKISTAN CEASEFIRE A GOOGLY?

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Deception has always been part of the diplomatic toolkit, used more frequently during war and hostilities among nations rather than in peacetime. For those who don't play cricket, a googly is a ball bowled by a right-arm bowler with a leg-spin action but on landing, it goes the other way. This genre of bowling is also a part of deception and entirely legal in cricket.

The recent India-Pakistan ceasefire agreement along the LoC may or may not be a googly but it has certainly raised the expectation of some movement in bilateral ties, which have been locked into a higher threshold of hostility since the reading down of Articles 370 and 35, relating to Jammu and Kashmir and its territorial reorganisation. The ceasefire agreement also envisages pullback of specialised forces that are stationed for trans-LoC offensive manoeuvres and operations by snipers.

The announcement by the DGMOs of the two nations has put into effect the ceasefire along the LoC and other sectors, with effect from February 25. The agreement is reported to be a result of back-channel discussions away from the public eye, according to government sources. The joint statement is a boilerplate one and sheds no light on these back-channel contacts. The official data records the number of ceasefire violations and lives lost: 5,133 violations and 46 fatalities in 2019 and 299 violations and one fatality till February, in 2021, as per figures provided by the Centre in Parliament. Coming on the heels of the disengagement along the India-China LAC at Pangong Tso in Ladakh, it has raised questions about its timing and reasons behind the move. There were some prior indicators from the Pakistan side in public statements made by the Army Chief and PM Imran Khan in the last few weeks. The agreement will certainly lower the temperature along the LoC and make lives easier for people living in villages along it.

There have been ceasefire agreements before with limited longevity. The proof of the pudding, as always, will be in the eating. Is the Pakistan army making a strategic move towards sustainable peace? Most people in India will be inclined to believe that a leopard cannot change its spots. In Pakistan, the official adviser to the PM on national security has been celebrating the agreement as a big win for his country. He is, no doubt, playing to the public gallery and the Army's constituency to show that Pakistan has achieved a "victory" over India. Imran has announced that the onus is on India now to take further steps and create an enabling environment for peace. Before that happens, there are some basic steps to be taken like positioning High Commissioners in respective capitals, and opening up trade and travel. Another terror attack will scuttle this ceasefire agreement, like the one reached in 2003 between the governments of PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee and Gen Pervez Musharraf.

India had hardened its approach to Pakistan with cross-border surgical strikes after the Uri terror attack and upped the ante further with the Balakot air strikes two years ago following the Pulwama terror attack. India's red line was made clear: talks and terror cannot go hand in hand. Balakot had introduced a new and higher threshold in India's approach to Pakistani terrorist attacks on India—assured retaliation not just on land but also by air. India also hinted that it would not shy away from a pre-emptive strike if a potential terror threat is in the offing. This had caused quite a flutter in Pakistan, which had got used to India cancelling bilateral dialogue after a terrorist attack and resuming it after some time. Pakistan had become used to India absorbing terror attacks and not retaliating. PM Modi has successfully shifted the goalposts. This change did not come about overnight. It happened after several failed outreach attempts by PM Modi to the then Pakistan's government led by Nawaz Sharif. Each such attempt was thwarted by Pakistan's army that eventually drove out Sharif into exile, from where he has lamented that his country's army is a "state above a state".

> Any ceasefire agreement that is not a written document cannot be taken as binding commitment by a country like Pakistan, which has violated even written ones. Caution should be the lodestar

The global response to the ceasefire agreement has been positive. But that is par for the course. That a ceasefire gives an opening for further peace initiatives cannot be contested. But caution should be the lodestar in proceeding further. To expect that the Pakistan army has changed its fundamental strategic orientation will be a grave mistake. Imran's belligerent and abusive language against India and PM Modi cannot be forgotten. Islamabad's continued attempt to resurrect the Khalistan movement and create new terror groups with different names has not stopped. The terror factories in Pakistan are not on indefinite strike but switched on and off.

Any India-Pakistan ceasefire agreement that is not a written document cannot be taken as binding commitment by a country like Pakistan, which has violated even written agreements, beginning with the 1949 Karachi Ceasefire Agreement to the 1972 Shimla Agreement. It must remain part of India's calculus that at the first available opportunity, Pakistan will renege on its commitment, as it has done repeatedly in the past. It must be said that the 2003 agreement did reduce firing incidents across the LoC considerably. This understanding endured till 2007 and broke down from 2008. It is also correct to correlate rising ceasefire violations to domestic political compulsions in Pakistan and to, some extent, in India too.

The timing of the agreement is significant since the summer months normally witness a rise in infiltration and attempts at terror strikes. Any slowdown in these will indicate whether the agreement has succeeded. If it succeeds, it will again prove that the Pakistan army controls the tap for calibrating terrorism. Have global developments, India-China ties and economic distress led to Pakistan seeking respite from the LoC firings that have inflicted far more damage on it than ever before? Its economy is tottering, not just due to the pandemic, the freedom struggle in Baluchistan and the drying up of international funding. Saudi Arabia and the UAE, reliable sources of emergency funding and easy credit terms for imports of oil, are no longer forthcoming.

Pakistan's international campaign over J&K to vilify India and seek international intervention has gone into a cul-de-sac. The FATF grey-listing has put impediments on the flow of international financing and the IMF is only lending under stringent conditions. Pakistan's main patron China is relatively distracted, and the CPEC is in some financial distress and buffeted by attacks from Baluch freedom fighters. The new American administration, under President Joe Biden, is still in the process of course correction of its foreign policy. The Afghan situation is not improving and if the Americans walk out, the country will implode with adverse consequences for Pakistan. Hence, it would be logical to presume that China, India and Pakistan are hedging their options and taking steps towards lowering tensions. Only time will tell whether this hedging is tactical or a move towards a sustainable peace.

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Tickets for defectors

One should not be surprised that defectors are getting BJP tickets in West Bengal. In the long run, the party would pay a heavy price. But the saga would continue unless voters punish defectors.

N Nagarajan, Secunderabad

Don't ignore mental health

A lot of schools and colleges have reopened. SOPs have been followed but a significant factor has been ignored: mental health. Many have been socially isolated for a number of months and so, importance must be given to this too.

Anupama Hattiholi, Belgaum

Need for change in K'taka

A social and political churn is going on in Karnataka. The people will be the beneficiary if the caste-oriented, corrupt and family rule represented by BSY, Siddu, HDK and others is replaced by a younger generation with pro-development and pro-people values.

Sarvothama Udupa, Udupi

Mutations and antibiotics

Mutations in microbes are scary. What can worsen this is the indiscriminate use of antibiotics. This can lead to an increase in microbial resistance.

Priyanka E V, Chitradurga

Sasikala takes right call

The decision by V K Sasikala to withdraw from politics is the correct move in the present juncture. The AIADMK cadre can now work unitedly.

V K S Krishnan, Kumbakonam

Sri M did well

The Congress has tried to make political capital over reconciliation meetings between the RSS and CPM mediated by spiritual leader Sri M in 2016 (*Talks not part of any CPM-RSS alliance*, Mar 4). But it was a praiseworthy initiative as it aimed to end political killings in Kerala.

Ravi Mannethu, Kerala

Unnecessary outburst

The outburst of the Kerala FM creates an impression that bodies like the ED cannot look into the issues in a state. The FM has already given enough reasons to suspect his motives with regard to the CAG report. And bringing in north India in his remarks was in bad taste.

K V Surendran, Kannur

Diminishing trust in police

In Maharashtra, women were allegedly made to strip and dance by cops. Trust in the police is already low and this would only worsen the situation.

Trisha P, Bengaluru

Abuse in high places

The harassment of a female IPS officer in TN by a top cop shows how prevalent this is in high places (*Sexual harassment case shows chinks in TN police's armour, Mar 4*). It also shows that victims from ordinary backgrounds would find it tough to get justice.

R Sridharan, Chennai

Pant to the rescue again

When India was in deep trouble against England in the fourth Test, Rishabh Pant rescued the team. Some of the shots that he played were breathtaking. Well done.

V Nagendra Kumar, Hyderabad

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Shashi Tharoor @ShashiTharoor
Haryana govt's new law requiring pvt companies to reserve 75% of all jobs (paying ₹50,000 or less) for locals is a dismaying attack on India's unity

Prashant Bhushan @pbhushan1
Wow! India ahead more internet shutdowns last year than the rest of the world together! 109 for India Vs 46 for the rest of the World.

Sitaram Yechury @SitaramYechury
Today marks 100 days of historic struggle of annadatas at Delhi borders. Nearly 250 kisans have died but the Modi govt remains callous and obstinate

Owner of SUV dumped near Antilia found dead

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

THE owner of the explosives-laden vehicle involved in the bomb scare outside Mukesh Ambani's residence **Antilia** last week was found dead on Friday. While the BJP demanded that the NIA should probe the entire matter, the Maharashtra government handed over the investigation to the Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS).

The body of Mansukh Hiren, 45, the owner of the Scorpio that was packed with gelatin sticks and parked near Antilia on February 25, was found in a creek at Mumbra, Thane, on Friday morning. According to his family, he had gone missing on Thursday night.

Raising the issue in the Assembly, the Leader of Opposition Devendra Fadnavis demanded that the case was sensitive and be handed over to the NIA. However, home minister Anil Deshmukh said the police was competent to probe the case.

Fadnavis said the SUV owner was a key witnesses and his death had deepened the mystery. The SUV was stolen on February 18 and in his statement to the Crime Branch, Mansukh had said he lodged a police complaint after the theft.

Fadnavis claimed that Mansukh had in his statement said he had visited Crowford market when there was a bomb scare near Ambani's residence. "We want to know why the Scorpio owner came to Crawford market? Whom did he meet there? All of these questions need to be investigated. We also got information that the same person had also called Sachin Waze, the investigating officer of this case, twice in June and July last year."

When the incident happened near Mukesh Ambani's residence that time also, Sachin Waze reached first before the local police. Our suspicion has been increasing in this case...

Devendra Fadnavis, BJP leader

PM Narendra Modi greets his Swedish counterpart Stefan Lofven at the start of the online bilateral summit on Friday | PTI

'India moving ahead on Paris agreement'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Friday held a virtual bilateral summit with his Swedish counterpart Stefan Lofven where the two leaders discussed a host of issues.

"India and Sweden can deepen their partnership in several sectors, including smart cities, e-mobility, smart grids and waste management, as also on key priority areas like the important issue of climate change," he said.

Modi said the shared values of democracy, human rights, rule of law, free and justice strengthen the India-Sweden ties. "Smart cities, water treatment, waste management, circular economy, smart grids, e-mobility, digital transformation and several other sectors have potential where we can deepen partnership."

The prime minister said the issue of climate change is a priority for both nations and welcomed Sweden's decision to join the International Solar Alliance. "India's culture has always stressed the importance of living in harmony with nature. We are moving ahead on our commitments made under the Paris Agreement," he added.

"The Prime Ministers welcomed the progress made in identifying specific areas of scientific collaboration in polar research such as joint research projects and participation in polar expeditions. The National Centre for Polar and Ocean Research under the Ministry of Earth Sciences, India and the Swedish Polar Research Secretariat will take this collaboration forward," a joint statement stated. "They agreed to intensify their collaboration within the framework of the Arctic Council to address global environmental protection and combating climate change."

Among the other areas that the leaders decided to cooperate include leadership group on industry transition, science, technology and innovation, trade and investment, healthcare and life sciences, defence among others.

Unhealthy living pushing Indians to 'silent killers'

Survey on non-communicable diseases finds less intake of fruit, veg and high salt usage

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @ New Delhi

WITH nearly one-third adults physically inactive, over 32 % consuming tobacco and nearly 16 % taking alcohol, a majority of Indians are at a significant risk of developing lifestyle diseases, according to a nationwide survey.

Over 98% people surveyed did not consume the recommended amount of fruits and vegetables every day, said the first comprehensive nationwide survey by the ICMR and nearly 18 government institutions to assess the risk factors for non-communicable diseases (NCDs). The average consumption was 2 servings per day, much less than the WHO recommendations.

Excess salt

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For the first time, the survey estimated dietary intake of salt intake of population at a national level via spot urine samples. Indian adults consume about 8 gm salt per day, it said. Higher than the recommended salt intake of 5 mg per day is considered a major risk factor for hypertension.

The survey, conducted during 2017–18, was based on a sample size of about 12,000 households in rural and urban parts, is based on responses from adults aged 18-69.

The findings would contribute to plan future state-based surveys and also frame policies for prevention and control of NCDs, such as cardiovascular disease and cancer, which have emerged as the biggest killers.

NCDs accounted to 65% of total deaths in 2019 and, over a period of 25 years — since 1990 — the burden of diseases has transitioned from communicable to NCD cases. The total disability adjusted life years from NCDs was 30.5% in 1990 which increased in 2016 to 55.4%.

Men consumed more salt than women and always or often added extra salt right before eating food. Also, a larger proportion of men (69.7%) than women (58.4%) thought lowering salt consumption is important and took steps to reduce salt intake.

More than half the percentage of urban adults (51.7%) and women (52.4%) was physically inactive compared to rural adults (36.1%) and men (30.9%). It also showed that the proportion of adults who are overweight was 26.1%, and this was comparable to the projection estimates of 12.9% in 2005 to 27.8% by 2030. Also, the results on the prevalence of raised blood pressure (28.5%) and raised blood glucose (9.3%) were comparable to the results from population-based studies.

Out on bail, labour rights activist claims torture in Haryana prison

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

DALIT labour activist Shiv Kumar, arrested in January during the farmer protest, visited the Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER) in Chandigarh for treatment a day after he was released on bail from Sonipat jail in Haryana.

Talking to this newspaper, Kumar, who is president of Mazdoor Adhikaar Sangathan, alleged, "I was tortured in the jail by the authorities thrice a day for a week and also was made to sign blank papers."

Kumar said at PGIMER, a plaster cast put on his right leg after x-ray. He also underwent psychiatric screening. The activist later tweeted, "I have come straight from jail to Chandigarh hospital. There was a strong attempt to break my spirits in the jail but they could only end up breaking my leg. I have become stronger."

In another tweet, he said he was "beaten, abused and tortured" in police custody and called Khalistani supporter. "But the struggle will not end here. I will be joining protests soon."

Shiv Kumar undergoes medical exams at a hospital in Chandigarh | TWITTER

Kumar is an associate of activist Nodeep Kaur. Both were arrested in January on charges of extortion, theft and attempt to murder after they mobilised workers and staged a protest outside a factory that had not paid wages to workers.

On February 19, the Punjab and Haryana High Court ordered Kumar's medical on a plea filed by his father alleging police brutality in jail.

Kumar was examined on February 20 and the medical report prepared by a panel of doctors revealed that he had eight injuries, including fractures on booth feet, that were more than two weeks old and were caused by blunt weapon.

His psychiatric assessment done at that time revealed that he reported predominant anxiety symptoms, flashbacks of brutality meted out to him, nightmares, feeling of loneliness, uncertainty about future and sleep disturbance.

FARM AGITATION

'Internal issue, but has ripple effects in UK'

NEW DELHI: With the UK Parliament set to debate the safety of farmer protesters on Monday, British High Commissioner to India Alex Ellis said the protest was an internal issue of India.

"The farmer protest is an internal issue of India but it has a ripple effect in the UK due to the large Indian diaspora. I think the foreign secretary (Dominic Raab) said it when he was here that 'your politics is our politics'. In other words, things that happen in India have ripples in the UK partly because you have such a big diaspora community in the UK, so these things get debated," he said on Friday. "Our prime minister (Boris Johnson) was asked about it actually in the Prime Minister's Question Time."

Ellis added that the issue was India's to resolve.

British MPs will debate the press freedom and safety of protesters in India in response to an e-petition which had crossed the 1,00,000-signature threshold required for such a debate. *ENS*

'No porn on OTT platforms'

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ON the court's remark on Thursday that some over-the-top (OTT) platforms were showing even pornography, Rohatgi said it is not true.

"There is no such thing on Amazon Prime and Netflix. I see them every evening. There is no such content," Rohatgi said.

"The Bench meant pornographic," said Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, appearing for the Central government.

"I see so many shows. There is no pornography," Rohatgi averred.

On Thursday, the Supreme Court had expressed concern over adult content on some OTT platforms, saying there should be a mechanism to prevent such programmes from being streamed.

'Letter to CJI not contempt, Bar Council resolution intimidating'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

REITERATING the contents of her letter to the Chief Justice of India, CPI (M) leader **Brinda Karat** on Friday said that there is neither contempt nor malice.

Brinda alleged that Bar Council has described her letter and its reporting as "acts of gross contempt". "On the contrary some of the words in the Council's resolution may be taken as intimidation," she said in a letter to the BCI chairman.

"I am responding to this resolution not because my name has been mentioned in the said resolution several times in the most derogatory terms, but because the issues raised in the resolution have wider implications for the struggle for justice," she said, referring to a resolution adopted by the Council.

Brinda said the resolution asks a rhetorical question that "comments made by the judges not resulting in their orders have no legal sanctity, why then raise a hue and cry on such comments?"

Comments made by higher authorities such as those made in the case asking a rape accused whether he would marry his victim, have a most damaging impact on victims of crimes and, in this case, tend to dilute the enormity of a crime against a minor, she asserted.

"It is indeed distressing that the resolution does not at all show any sensitivity whatsoever to the minor victim. It requires examination why a council of such senior lawyers should not see the necessity of judicial processes, more so in cases of rape of a minor, to put the interests of the victim, not the perpetrator, at the centre of the process for justice."

"There is neither contempt nor malice in my letter and it's reporting in the media. On the contrary, some of the words in the Council's resolution may be taken as intimidation. I doubt very much if such intimidation and threats against an individual/s are within the mandate of the Council," she wrote.

FIRM GRIP

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh interacts with military brass before the Combined Commanders' Conference at Kevadia on Friday | MoD

India's resolute response on the borders has helped in positive and peaceful resolution of certain significant issues, Rajnath said.

The defence minister lauded the selfless courage displayed by the soldiers during the recent eastern Ladakh standoff.

Optimal utilisation of resources and rationalisation of manpower holds the key to jointness between the forces, he added.

Report on 'partly-free' India is misleading, incorrect and misplaced: Govt

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Centre issued a seven-point rebuttal countering the US government-funded NGO Freedom House for its "misleading, incorrect and misplaced" report which lowered India into the 'partly-free' category.

Based on 25 indicators, the report ranked countries as 'free', 'partly free' and 'not free'. While India's score on political rights was 34/40, its score on civil liberties was 33/60. The report had said India was 'partly free' and blamed the BJP government at the Centre for the loss of its 'free status'.

The report is misleading, incorrect and misplaced, the government said in a statement. "This is evident from the fact that many states in India under its federal structure are ruled by parties other than the one at the national level, through an election process which is free and fair and which is conducted by an independent election body. This reflects the working of a vibrant democracy, which gives space to those who hold varying views."

The report had said that the government and its 'state-level' allies continued to crack down on journalists, academics, and brought a ham-fisted lockdown which led to 'unplanned and dangerous' displacement of internal migrant workers.

In its statement, the government said that mass movement would lead to spread of the disease. "The government was fully conscious that during the period of an inevitable Lockdown, people should not face undue distress." It also refuted there was crackdown on dissent by media.

Issuing a rebuttal to the report's observations on discriminatory policies at the Delhi riots, the government said proportionate and appropriate actions were taken to control the situation. It also issued rebuttals on the use of sedition law, government's response on human rights organisations, internet shutdowns and FCRA amendment.

The MEA also came out with a strong statement saying it did not need sermons from those who cannot get their basics right. "Their (Freedom House's) political judgement is as good as their maps. We do not need sermons from those who get their basics right."

Their (Freedom House's) political judgement is as good as their maps. We do not need sermons from those who get their basics right

MEA spokesperson

EXPRESS READ

CBSE revises Class 10, 12 exam dates

New Delhi: The CBSE on Friday released a revised date sheet for Class 10 and 12 board examinations under which papers earlier scheduled for May 13-16 were shifted. The exams will start from May 4, but the test for Classes 10 and 12 will end on June 7 and June 14. The Science paper for Class 10 was postponed from May 15 to May 21, while the Maths paper would take place on June 2 instead of May 21. The Class 12 physics paper was postponed to June 8 from May 13. Practical exams are already being conducted from March 1. The results of the board exams are expected by July 15.

Rajini, Lata, Big B in panel to advise govt

New Delhi: The Centre constituted a national committee under PM Narendra Modi with 259 members, including all Union ministers, CMs, Opposition leaders for the commemoration of 75 years of Independence this year. The committee includes several Union ministers Amit Shah, Rajnath Singh, Ravi Shankar Prasad, S Jaishankar and Prakash Javadekar. Economist Amartya Sen is also a part of the committee. Other notable members include artistes like Lata Mangeshkar, Amitabh Bachhan, Rajinikanth, A R Rahman, Anupam Kher, Hema Malini, Prosenjit Chatterjee, and sportspersons like Sachin Tendulkar, and M S Dhoni.

ENOUGH DOCTORS

Bihar "almost" fulfils the WHO-recommended doctor-population ratio as it has 1,19,000 doctors in the state with a population of 12 crore, state Health Minister Mangal Pandey said in the Assembly

9 MEN SENTENCED TO DEATH IN BIHAR IN HOOCH TRAGEDY

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	38	22	Mumbai	33	25
Bhopal	36	16	Panaji	32	23
Jaipur	34	22	Patna	33	16
Amritsar	27	18	Lucknow	33	20
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ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2021 DECIDE

There is peace & progress in Assam. We ensured it. The Bharatiya Janata Party will retain power in the state. —Sarbananda Sonowal, Assam CM

I seek the blessings of people. I appeal to Maa Maati Manush for your faith. Have faith in me, we will protect the state and take it to new heights —Mamata Banerjee, WB CM

It is Lalu Ji's decision to provide full support to Mamata ji. Our first priority is to stop BJP from coming to power in Bengal —Tejashwi Yadav, RJD leader

BJP drops flops in Assam, opts for turncoats

Non-performers in 2019 Lok Sabha polls ignored, ruling party rewards Congress defectors with Assembly tickets

MANISH ANAND & PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ New Delhi/Guwahati

THE BJP on Friday unveiled its first list 70 candidates for the Assam Assembly elections, denying tickets to 11 incumbent legislators, largely on the grounds of not cooperating in the 2019 Lok Sabha elections, non-performance and to make space for the turncoats.

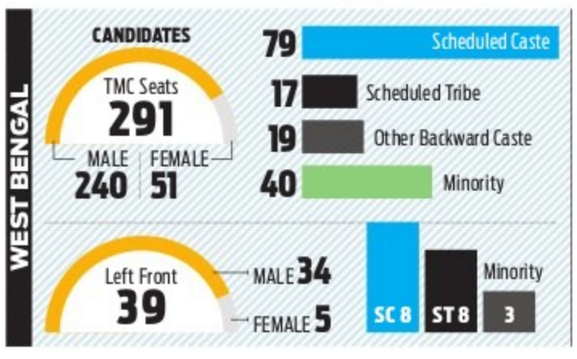
The BJP's North-east "Sherpa" and Assam minister Himanta Biswa Sarma is learnt to have bagged tickets for a good number of his followers in the first list. The BJP also unveiled seat adjustments with allies Asom Gana Parishad (AGP) and United People's Party Liberal (UPPL), which will contest 26 and eight seats, respectively. The BJP will contest in 92 of the 126 seats in Assam.

Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal, Sarma, and BJP state chief Ranjeet Kumar Dass will contest from Majuli, Jalukbari and Patacharkuchi, respectively. BJP national general secretary Arun Singh explained that the party has a tradition of changing faces in elections. However, sources said "a few of the sitting MLAs were punished for not working for BJP's Lok Sabha candidates in the 2019 elections, which included the likes of Silchar Parliamentary constituency".

The BJP dropped Hills Area Development Minister Sum Ronghang, Rituparna Barua from Lahowal, Amar Chand Jain from Katigorah, Ashok Sarma from Nalbari, Joyram Engleng from Howraghat, Mansing Rongpi from Baithalangsu, BB Hagzer from Haflong, Dilip Paul from Silchar, Kishore Nath from Borkhola, Debananda Hazarika from Bihpuria and Nabanita Handique from Sonari constituency.

Turncoats from the ranks of the Congress, who bagged the BJP symbol included former legislators Bidya Sing Engleng (former chief of Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council), Jayanta Malla Barua, Ajanta Neog and Gautam Roy, known as "King of Barak Valley". Dorsingh Ronghang, of Left pedigree, was also fielded in the elections. Dilip Paul, former Assembly deputy Speaker, and businessman Dwipayan Chakraborty also got the BJP nod to contest the polls.

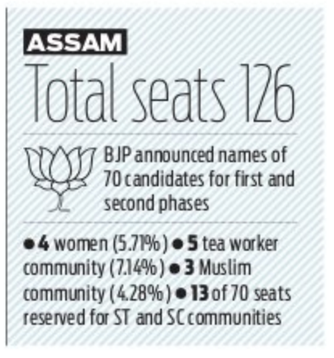
Sonowal exuded confidence of victory. "We've ensured peace and development, and people will bless us with another mandate". To his earlier claims of not contesting elections, Sarma said it was the decision of the BJP leadership that he should be in the electoral ring. Along with Dass, this troika in the elections is giving rise to speculations of a post-poll re-think in the party for the post of chief minister.



Congress, ISF yet to announce candidates

7.2 cr Total voters

49% Women voters



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BJP will field candidates in 70 of the 126 Assembly seats in Assam. Its allies Asom Gana Parishad and United People's Party Liberal will contest in 26 and 8 seats, respectively

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Trinamool Congress has named eight personalities from the world of movies and TV serials as candidates for the upcoming Assembly elections in West Bengal. Popular film director Raj Chakraborty heads the list

TMC MLA says no to contest

Kolkata: Trinamool Congress MLA Samir Chakraborty has said he would not contest the West Bengal Assembly elections. "I have informed Mamata Banerjee that I don't want to contest elections. I will campaign for the party," Chakraborty said in a Facebook post. He is an MLA from Taldangra constituency in Bankura district and a familiar face in vernacular television news channel talk shows.

Cricketer Riyan among poll 'icons'

Guwahati: Four prominent personalities, including cricketer and first-time voter Riyan Parag, were on Friday chosen as 'icons' to encourage people to exercise their franchise during the Assam assembly polls. Besides Parag, who plays for Rajasthan Royals in the IPL, actor Kopil Bora, singer Anindita Paul and para-cyclist Rakesh Banik were selected as 'icons' to motivate voters, officials said.

Trusted Nandigram Mamata's chosen field in battle against BJP & Adhikari

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

WITH Mamata Banerjee's announcement confirming that she will fight from Nandigram constituency in East Midnapore district, countdown to the high-octane West Bengal Assembly elections began on Friday. The chief minister's decision has turned the spotlight on Nandigram again, 14 years after the area witnessed a fierce protest against land acquisition, which eventually contributed to the downfall of the Left Front in 2011.

"When I say something, I keep my word. I will contest from one constituency and that is Nandigram. I will go to Nandigram on March 9 and file nomination next day," said Mamata. This is said to be a move to counter her once trusted lieutenant Suvendu Adhikari's defection to BJP.

The Nandigram constituency has become the talk of Bengal politics of late, ever since Mamata hinted that she might contest from there and Adhikari said he would ensure her defeat by over 50,000 votes.

Adhikari repeated this at a rally in the same district recently. "She has decided to run away from her Bhowanipore constituency. Had she contested from there, her defeat would have been secured. But she will have to return to Kolkata from Nandigram empty handed," he had said.

In 2007, a movement started in Nandigram following the CPI(M) government's decision to build a special economic zone in the area. The killing of 14 villagers in police firing triggered a movement led by the TMC which led to the fall of the Left. TMC won panchayat elections there in 2008, Lok Sabha elections in 2009 and a massive victory in the state Assembly polls in 2011.

In 2021, the picture changed as Adhikari, a key player behind the Nandigram movement, joined BJP. Sensing a tough battle, top TMC functionaries have started frequenting Nandigram. They are looking for houses where Mamata will set up her base.

Left releases names for 39 seats, Congress & ISF yet to finalise

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolkata

THE Left Front, one of the allies of the grand alliance in West Bengal, announced its list of candidates for 39 Assembly seats on Friday. While Congress was given 12 seats and the newly-formed Indian Secular Front (ISF) five, the alliance partners could not come to a unanimous decision in four seats.

"We will contest in 39 Assembly seats and five of our candidates are women. We have inducted many young faces in the fray," said Left Front chairman **Biman Bose** after releasing the list of candidates.

Nandigram is one of the four seats for which candidates are still to be chosen. It is learnt that the alliance partners are yet to find a person to take on Mamata Banerjee. The Congress and ISF are yet to announce their candidates.

The Left is hoping for a change after faring miserably in the 2019 Lok Sabha polls. "Other than the young faces, many candidates are aged between 40 and 50," said Bose, the veteran CPI(M) leader.

The party's state secretary Suryakanta Mishra will not contest this time. "We have decided to give young faces berths. In the recent past, the party's youth wing showed impressive performances while campaigning against the Centre and the state government's anti-people policies," said the leader.

SSR CASE

NCB files charge sheet against Rhea & 32 others

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai

THE Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) on Friday filed its first charge sheet in the drugs case against **Rhea Chakraborty**, her brother Showik and 31 others in connection with the death of actor Sushant Singh Rajput.

The charge sheet has been filed in two parts—11,700 pages have been filed through physical copy while 50,000 pages have been filed in digital format in the form of CDs.

Among the others named in the charge sheet are Agisilaos Demetriades, brother of actor Arjun Rampal's partner Gabriella Demetriades, and former Dharma Productions employee Kshitij Prasad.

Eight of the total 33 accused are still in judicial custody while the rest, including Rhea and her brother, are out on bail. . The documents also include a list of over 200 witnesses.

The accused have been booked for offences punishable under various sections of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act. The NCB has stated that during the investigation, it made several seizures of various narcotics drugs and psychotropic substances, electronic gadgets and Indian as well as foreign currency notes from the accused.

The investigating agency claimed to have incriminating evidence regarding sale, purchase, procurement, consumption and possession of narcotics drugs. According to NCB sources, Rhea has been accused of being part of a "drug syndicate" and a conspiracy to procure and supply drugs. Statements of Bollywood A-listers like Deepika Padukone, Shraddha Kapoor and Sara Ali Khan, who were also questioned by the NCB during the probe, are part of the charge sheet, the sources said.

Countries allowed to build guest houses in Ayodhya

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

IN a move to push international religious tourism, Yogi Adityanath's government in Uttar Pradesh has allowed countries with a large Hindu population to build their properties in Ayodhya. The state government has received applications from over a dozen countries to construct guest houses in the birthplace of Lord Ram.

Countries to have applied include Sri Lanka, Canada, Nepal, Suriname, Fiji, Kenya, Indonesia, Malaysia, Trinidad & Tobago, Mauritius, Thailand and South Korea.

The concept exists in Kushinagar, a Buddhist pilgrimage destination, where Gautam Buddha attained salvation. Most of the countries with guest houses in Kushinagar are from south-east Asian region, with China, Japan, Korea, Sri Lanka and Thailand being the prominent ones.

Ayodhya municipal commissioner Vishal Singh said 12 acres have been earmarked in new Ayodhya for building guest houses. "Any country can apply. We will make land available to them," he said.

With almost all states of the country also wanting to build their guest houses to facilitate the stay of pilgrims, about 1,200 acres is being acquired in Barheta, Shahnawaz Pur Maza, and Tihura Majha villages adjoining Ayodhya to develop a grand New Ayodhya city.

The UP Awas Vikas Nigam has issued a notification for acquisition of land in these villages. Besides residential colonies, the city will have five-star hotels, dharamshalas, mutts, ashrams, temples and guest houses and temples of foreign countries.

ED summons Mehbooba in laundering case

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Friday summoned PDP chief and former J&K Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti Sayeed for questioning in a money laundering case in New Delhi on March 15. It was issued by ED Assistant Director Sunil Kumar Meena.

"I consider the attendance of Mehbooba necessary in connection with the investigations. Therefore in exercise of powers conferred upon me under sub-Section (2) and sub-section (3) of Section 50 of the said Act, I require Mehbooba Mufti to appear before me at my office on March 15 at 11.30 am alongwith the documents," he said.

It warned Mehbooba that in case she fails to give evidence as mentioned, she shall be liable to penal proceedings under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (15 of 2003).

Covid hits Maha's per capita income

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

THE pandemic-battered economy of Maharashtra has registered a big decline in per capita income and is estimated to see a negative growth of eight per cent during 2020-21.

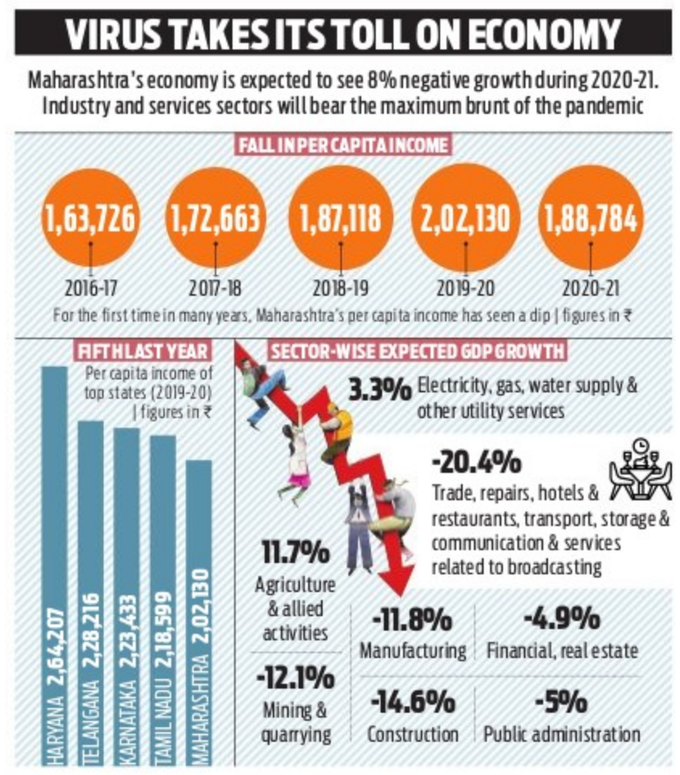
The per capita income has gone down from ₹2.02 lakh in 2019-20 to ₹1.88 lakh, which amounts to a fall of almost ₹13,000 in individual income, according to state Economic Survey tabled in the Assembly by Finance Minister Ajit Pawar on Friday.

Underscoring the grim situation, the Survey revealed that the industries and the service sector had been the worst hit by the Covid-19 outbreak and subsequent lockdown. Of the three major GDP contributing sectors, only agriculture saw positive growth.

In the next fiscal, too, the industry and service sectors are expected to see negative growth of 11.3 per cent and 9 per cent, respectively, while the agriculture and allied activities sector is expected to grow at 11.7 per cent, riding on good monsoon.

In agriculture, the crops sector is expected to grow by 16.2 per cent, while livestock, forestlogging and fisheries sectors are expected to grow at 4.4 per cent, 5.7 per cent and 2.6 per cent, respectively. The negative growth of 11.8 and 14.6 per cent, respectively, in manufacturing and construction sectors have hit industrial growth. Impact of the pandemic on trade, hospitality and transport — which registered negative 20.4 per cent growth — has hit the services sector. The mining and quarrying sector registered minus 12.1 per cent growth.

Maharashtra's contribution to India's GDP growth is 14.2 per cent, highest among all states. The state's GDP growth is expected to decline by nearly ₹1.6 lakh crore during 2020-21 as compared to 2019-20.



Dedicated centre for tribals at IIM-Ranchi

The Birsa Munda Centre for Tribal Affairs at Indian Institute of Management (IIM-Ranchi) has set up a dedicated centre for tribal studies. The institute has signed MoUs with two noted non-governmental organisations — Vikas Bharati and Friends of Tribal Society — working in the field of tribal development in Jharkhand. The aim is to boost research-driven activities and roll out work-integrated education programmes at village levels. IIM-R director Shailendra Singh said that tribal issues are important because these communities are still considered backward when it comes to national-level recognition.

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RANCHI DIARY

'No-car Saturdays' from March 13

Streets in the state capital are expected to be free from honking and noxious fumes once a week with Ranchi's civic guardians announcing a 'No cars on Saturday' campaign from March 13. This environment-friendly move is touted to promote cycling and a healthy lifestyle among residents. According to Ranchi Municipal Corporation (RMC) officials, "The 'No cars on Saturday' campaign will be rolled out from March 13 at Morhabadi Ground. On this day, everyone — office-goers, market hoppers, students and others — are appealed to pedal for their health. Doing so at least once in a week will not just keep them healthy, but also encourage everyone to take up cycling, the officials said. They also believe that it will help decongest roads other than paving the way for a healthy living.

'Swarnim Vijay Mashaal' reaches city

One of the four torches lit from the 'Victory Torch' at the National War Memorial in New Delhi and sent in all four directions of the country for spreading awareness about the valour and indomitable spirit of Indian soldiers among the populace, reached Ranchi Military Station on Wednesday. The torch was welcomed at Jharkhand War Memorial with a lot of zeal and enthusiasm in presence of senior military officers from Cockerel Division, veterans and NCC cadets. As part of the event cultural programmes along with display of military weapons was organised at Morhabadi Ground.

Norms issued for army recruitment rally

The Indian Army will hold a recruitment rally at Morhabadi Ground in Ranchi from March 10 to March 25. The recruitment rally will be conducted for candidates from all 24 districts of Jharkhand. Only those candidates who pass in the rally will be shortlisted to appear in the medical exam and written tests. Candidates have been asked to carry masks, gloves and sanitisers. Besides advising them to maintain social distancing and adequate gap during the rally, the Army has also asked the candidates to produce a Covid-19 test or asymptomatic report. The certificate should have been issued within 48 hours prior to reporting for the rally.

IN THE HON'BLE COURT OF THE CIVIL JUDGE & JMFC AT NELAMANGALA
C. Misc. No. 80/2021

Petitioner : Sri. PUTTEGOWDA, S/o late Nanjundaiah, Aged about 52 years, R/at Vadakunte village, Thymagondlu Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District.& OTHERS

-V/s- Respondent The Thasildar (Registrar of Births and Deaths) Nelamangala Taluk Nelamangala

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

Whereas the petitioner above named has presented petition to this Hon'ble court under section 13(3) of Registration of Birth and Deaths Act 1969 for order direct the respondent authority to get enter the date of petitioner's father by name NANJUNDAIAH. S/o late NANJEGOWDA was died on 30.06.1990 at Vadakunte village, Thymagondlu Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. The Hon'ble court has fixed on. 15/03/2021 for hearing of the petition and that if any person's desire to oppose the said petition or claim or interest shall appear before the Hon'ble court in person or by pleader duly instructed at 11 AM. Failing which the said application will be heard and determined as experte.

Given under my hand and the seal of the court on this the 18/02/2021

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Court of the Civil judge
Senior Divisional and J.M.F.C Nelamangala

Advocate for Petitioner: A. S. RAGHAVENDRA, Advocate No.24, 1st Main Road, Seshadripuram, Bangalore 560020.

IN THE HON'BLE COURT OF THE CIVIL JUDGE & JMFC AT NELAMANGALA
C. Misc. No. 78/2021

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public are hereby notified that our client **Mr. M.SHIVASHANKAR** S/o.M.G Muynlyappa has lost 3 nos original Sale Deeds as follows : **1)** Document No.2728/1974-75 dated 16.09.1974 **2)** Document No. 1112/1980-81, dated 26.06.1980 **3)** Document No. 2915/1978-79, dated 08.12.1978. All these above mentioned Sale Deeds are registered at the office of Sub-Registrar, Basavanagudi, Bangalore, pertaining to property bearing No.17, in Sy No.22, situated at **Gavipura, Dasarahalli.** In this regard, a police complaint dated 02.03.2021 was lodged with The Bangalore City Police in Lost Report No. 061935/2021. If any person/s finds the said document kindly inform the Advocate stated herein. If any person/s misuses the said document, the same is not binding on our client and they shall do so at their own risk.

C.K.V.K. LAW ASSOCIATES
Mr. VENKATESH CHANDRAN M.A., LL.B.
Advocates & Legal Consultants
Bangalore-560 043. Contact : 9845846428
Bangalore Date : 16-03-2021

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned Counsel for petitioners filed case of petitioners i.e., Kaleemulla Khan & others Vs. The Commissioner, Births & Deaths, Bangaluru in C.MISC.NO. 613/2021 before the 36th A.C.M.M, Bengaluru subject to death of Grandfather named as **MOOSA KHAN, S/o. LATE KHADER NAWAZ KHAN, died on 12.03.1993 at No. 190, Telegraph Street, Venkateshpuram, Bangaluru-45.** If anybody interested to file objection in this matter, attend before the court as above on or before 06.03.2021

SUMATHI C.M., ADVOCATE.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients **1. SRI. SARUP MAL,** S/o. Prasanta Mal, **2. SMT. MOUSUMI MAL,** W/o. Sarup Mal, R/t. No.995, GVR Lane, Nagarathpet Cross, Bangalore - 560 002, are intending to purchase the Property mentioned in the Schedule from **1. Mr. S. S. MANOHOAH** S/o. Late. Jhon Manohoah, **2. Mrs. ELEZEBETH P. MANOAH** W/o. Late Vijayan Mancah and **3. Ms. ESTHER PEARLYN MANOAH,** D/o. Late Vijayan Manoah, all are residing at No. 35, Swasthik Road, Shanthi Nagar, Bangalore-560027. Anybody has objection/rival claim may file his claim before the undersigned with supporting documents within **FIVE (5) DAYS.** If no rival claim/objection is received, my clients will proceed to purchase the property.

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All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No.10/17, **New Municipal No. 35 (Thirty Five), PID No. 70-49-35, situated at Swasthi Main Road, Shanthi Nagar, BBMP Old Ward No. 70, New Ward No.117, Bangalore,** and bounded on: **East by :** Property of E. K. Krishna, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Property No.16, **South by :** Property No.18

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KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN:U40109KA1999SGC025521)

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KPTCL invites bids against **Bid Enquiry No: KPTCL/SEE/TR(M)/BRAZ/66KV CT/EPR-585 dtd. 25.02.2021 (Call-5)** for "Design, Manufacture, Testing and Supply of 13 Nos. of 66 KV Class Current Transformers (0.2 Accuracy), 31.5 KA rating of ratio. **(1) 400-200/1-1-1A: 11 Nos. (2) 200-100/1-1-1A: 2 Nos.** (with Marshalling Boxes and without Mounting Structures) confirming to KPTCL Technical specification F.O.R.D at store/ site basis including insurance, transportation and unloading (Call-5)".

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IN THE COURT OF THE CMM AT BENGALURU
Crl. Misc. No. 999/2021

COMPLAINT : ANANDAMMA and Others
V/S
RESPONDENT : COMMISSIONER OF BIRTH AND DEATH BBMP Bangalore.

PAPER PUBLICATIONS/PUBLCATION NOTICE

Whereas above named petitioner have made petition to the Court under Section 13(3) of Births and Deaths Registration Act, for the grant of death of deceased Y. H. Krishnappa S/o Late Hanumanthrayappa, on 03/05/2017, at #104, Ramamandira Road, Sahakaranagar Post, Kodigehalli, Bangalore 560092. Interested parties are hereby called to appear in this court in person or by pleader duly instructed on the date **15.04.2021 at about 11 AM** informed to show cause against the petitioners failing wherein the appearance will be heard and declare as ex-parte. Given under my hand and seal of the court this 5th day of March 2021 at Bengaluru.

By Order of the Court, Sheristedar,
CMM Court, Bengaluru

Advocate for Petitioner:
SHANKAR M R, Advocate,
#3, 1st Floor, 17th Cross, Cubbonpet, Bengaluru 560002.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, LEENA PRADEEP, hereby inform you that the Original Sale Deed 16th March, 2000 executed between BDA in favor of Sri. G.S. Uma Shankar S/o., Sri. G. Shivakumar, vide document No. 9867/99/2000 registered before the Sub Registrar, K. R. Puram, Bangalore has been lost/misplaced at our end.

Finder please contact the below address.

Ms. Leena Pradeep
Address: B3-515, Elita Promenade, J.P. Nagar, 7th Phase, Bangalore – 560078, Contact No: 9900212889

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ಸಹಿ/–(ಜೆ.ಚಂದ್ರೇಗೌಡ)
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O/o: SE/TS (Design), Telefax: 0175-2207774, E-mail: se-trd@pstcl.org

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

Enquiry No.	STQ-5130
Description	Turnkey package for supply and commissioning of 125MVAR 400kV Bus Reactor at 400kV substation Dhuri alongwith construction of Allied bay.
Last Date & Time for Downloading of tender	05.04.21 upto 11.00 AM
Last Date & Time for receipt of tender	06.04.21 upto 11.00 AM
Date & Time for Opening of tender	08.04.21 at 11.00 AM

Detailed NIT/specification may be downloaded from PSTCL e-tendering website **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in.** Corrigendum, if any, will not be published in newspapers. As such the website may be visited regularly for updates.

309-3/5/2021 Sd/- Dy. CE/TS (Design),
76/12/44/2021/2256 PSTCL, Patiala.

VISVESVARAYA JALA NIGAMA LIMITED

(Government of Karnataka Enterprise)
Office of the Executive Engineer
VJNL, Yettinahole Project Division, No.3 Arasikere
Ph: 08174233111 e-mail: eeypd3ask@gmail.com

Tender Notification No:EE/YP/VJNL/DIV-03/YGC/TN/2020-21/1250 Dated:04.03.2021

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION No: 02/2020-21Dtd: 04.03.2021 (TWO COVER SYSTEM) (Only through E-procurement system)

Tenders in electronic mode on "PERCENTAGE BASIS" are invited on behalf of Managing Director, VisvesvarayaJalaNigama Limited, Bangalore by the Executive Engineer, VJNL, Yettinahole Project Division No.3, Arasikere, Hassan District in two cover system (Cover I and Cover II) from **KPWD Class I / VJNL or KNNL enrolled category I** contractors for the work of "Improvement works to the roads in the purview of Yettinahole integrated drinking water project in Sakaleshpura, Alur, Belur and Arasikere constituency of Hassan Dist".The amount put to tender is Rs5187.00lakhs. Details such as submission of bids/ EMD/FSD/tender conditions/Pre-qualification criteria/ Pre bid details and other information related to above said workcan be obtained through e-portal only www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Intending bidder can access the tender document from **12.03.2021**through e-portal. The authority competent to accept the tenders shall have the right of rejecting all or any of the tenders without assigning any reasons and will not be bound to accept the lowest tender. Corrigendum/addendum will be published in the e-portal. Any further information required may be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours. **Executive Engineer,VJNL, YP Division, No.3,Arasikere. Ph: 08174233111, e-mail: eeypd3ask@gmail.com**

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
VJNL, Y P Division, No.3 Arasikere

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Government of Karnataka
Public Works, Ports and Inland Water Transport Department, Special Division, Hunsur

IFT No.16/2020-21 Date: 04-03-2021

Short Term tender Notification (Through e-procurement)

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka the undersigned has invited itemised tender as per terms and conditions of "standard tender documents" for 10 No of works under "Various" scheme fund, works related to Hunsur division from the eligible registered contactors under PWD through e-procurement. Maximum amount put to tender Rs.**195.26** Lakhs and Minimum amount put to tender Rs.**6.16** Lakhs, **(Regarding EMD the contractor has to submit the Declaration Form**) The tender documents can be downloaded through e-procurement website: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in from 04.03.2021 onwards and last date for submission of filled tender documents is 12.03.2021 upto 16.00 Hours. Period for completion of works: **6- Months** maximum and **1-Months** minimum. For more details visit the undersigned during office working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
PWP&IWT, Special Division,Hunsur.

DIPR/DDMYS/MCA/1104/2020-21

IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL JUDGE, AT BANGALORE,
CCH.No. 23
O.S. NO: 9397/ 2019

Between: Sri. VENKATACHALAIAH S/o. Late Venkataramanappa. Aged about 58 years, R/at No. 92, Near C.T.O Office, Opp. Court Doddballapura Town and Taluk Bangalore rural district. .....Plaintiff

And

Smt. SWAPNA KETKAR, W/o. Anand Ketkar, Aged about 61 years, R/at No. 1298, 'A' Main Road, 11th Cross, West of Chord Road, 2nd stage, Bangalore-86 .....Defendant

SUMMONS/ NOTICE TO DEFENDANT

Smt. SWAPNA KETKAR, W/o. Anand Ketkar, Aged about 61 years, R/at No. 1298, 'A' Main Road, 11th Cross, West of Chord Road, 2nd stage, Bangalore-560086

Whereas the plaintiff has filed the above suit for specific performance and such other reliefs against you in respect of the Property bearing **Site No. 3 and 4,** old katha No. 24/3&4 of Gramatana of Jakkur Panchayath, Sriramapura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North taluk, Presently within the limits of BBMP, having new PID No. 35/58-1/3&4, measuring East to West : 60 feet, North to South : 40 feet, Bounded on : **East by : Site No. 2, West by : Site No. 5, North by : 25 feet Road, South by : Property of Munishamappa,** Situated at **Jakkur, Sriramapura Village, Yelahanka, Bangalore North Taluk,**

You are hereby summoned to appear this Hon'ble Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the Plaint. **On 7th day of April of 2021 at 11-00 am.,** to answer the questions. Failing which the suit will be disposed off in your absence as ex-parte.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE COURT, ON THE 3rd DAY of MARCH 2021.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT,
Sd/- **Assistant Registrar,**
City Civil Court, Bangalore

ADVOCATE FOR PLAINTIFF
H. Nagendra Advocate
No. 87/4, 2nd Floor, No. 1, Cubbonpet Main Road, Opp. 17th Cross, BANGALORE - 560 002

SRI LAKSHMI MAHILA SAHAKARA BANK NIYAMITHA

"Lakshmi Sadana", No.3,4, East Anjaneya Temple Street, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004, Ph: 080 26614794

PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

The undersigned being the Authorized officer of the Bank has taken possesssion of the immovable property described below under section 13(4) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of security Interest Act- 2002 and the same will be sold by inviting offers/tenders from the public on **"As is where is" and "As is What is Basis"** subject to the terms and conditions mentioned below.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower:- Smt Gulab Jan W/o Sri Syed Moula No.519/9, 13th Cross, Devaraj Urs Nagar, Old Guddadahalli, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560026

Names and Address of the Guarantors:- 1. Sri Mohammed Fateh Ali S/o Sri Syed Moula, No.519/9, 13th Cross, Devaraj Urs Nagar, Old Guddadahalli, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560026

2. Sri Syed Mohammed Haneef Hussaini S/o Sri Syed Moula, No.519/9, 13th Cross, Devaraj Urs Nagar, Old Guddadahalli, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560026

Outstanding Liabilities:Rs.31,47,382/- as on 05.03.2021with further interest and other charges.

Description of the Secured Property:- All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing old No.519, New No.519/9, (PID No.43-40-519/9) situated at Hindu Burial Ground Layout, 13th Cross, Devaraj Urs Nagar, Mysore Road, Bangalore, totally measuring 500 Sq.ft and bounded as follows: East by: Property No.518, West by: Property No.520, North by: Road, South by: Property No.516.

Reserve Price: Rs.42,24,000-00 **EMD : Rs.4,22,400-00**

Date of Opening Tenders At 3-00 p.m. on 24.03.2021 at Bank's Premises

Terms and conditions of the Auction :

1. The Property will not be sold below the Reserve Price.
2. The amount of EMD mentioned above shall be paid by way of Pay Order/DD/Banker's cheque drawn in favour of "Sri Lakshmi Mahila Sahakara Bank Niyamitha", Bangalore-4 on or **before 5.00 P.M. On 23-03-2021** along with tender/offer letter for purchase of the property in a sealed cover (EMD of the unsuccessful bidder will be returned without interest)
3. The offer/tender letter shall be accompained with attested copy of the PAN Card and photo identity of the bidder/offer with residential address proof.
4. The sealed tenders will be opened by the Authorized Officer of the Bank in the presence of the bidders/tenderers (who may like to be present) on **24-03-2021 at 3.30 P.M.** The Authorized officer is at liberty to give an opportunity to bid or enhance the offer by the bidders or accept the highest bid amount or reject/postpone the sale of the property at his discretion without assigning any reason therefore.
5. Successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the final bid amount (including EMD) immediately on the sale being knocked down in his favour and the balance sale price has to be remitted within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale or any other date as may be specified by the Authorized Officer.
6. The successful bidder shall bear all the legal/incidental expenses towards stamp duty, registration charges local taxes, power and water charges etc.,
7. On confirmation of sale by the Bank and upon compliance of terms of payment, the Authorized officer shall issue the sale certificate in the name of the Purchaser only in the Form in Appendix V of the Security Interest(Enforcement) Rules-2002.
8. The Bank reserves the right to forfeit the amounts already remitted by the bidder if he fails to remit the balance sale price within 15 days or any other date as specified by the Authorized Officer.
9. The Bank will not be responsible for any charge, lien, encumbrance or any other dues to the Government or any claim of any person in respect of the property being sold.
10. The bidder may inspect the property and verify the documents/title deeds available with the Bank with prior intimation and satisfy themselves before submitting the tender **(Ph.No.080 26614794).**

Note:- This is also a notice to the Borrowers/Guarantors for the loan about holding of acution sale of the property on the date indicated above if the Bank dues are not repaid in full before the date of auction.

Sd/-
Place: Bangalore **Authorised Officer**
Date :05.03.2021 Sri Lakshmi Mahila Sahakara Bank Niyamitha, Bangalore

BANGALORE URBAN, BANGALORE RURAL AND RAMANAGARA DIST. CO-OP. MILK PRODUCERS SOCIETIES UNION LIMITED

Dr. M.H. MARIGOWDA ROAD, BANGALORE-560029. www.bamulnandini.coop

IFT NO: KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(1 TO 29)CALL-2 **DATE: 02.03.2021**

Bengaluru Milk Union Ltd., (Bamul) Bengaluru, invites Bi-annual e-tender for through e-procurement portal from the Interested & Eligible Transport Contractors for the transportation of Milk for the following individual routes.

SHORT TERM TENDER

Descriptions
Insulated Road Milk Tankers of Capacity 19000kg & 24000kg

Route No.	Route Name	Tender Number
2	Anekal CC to Kanakapura Dairy	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(2)
3	Anekal CC to Ramanagara powder plant	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(3)
6	DB pura CC to Mother Dairy	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(6)
7	Hosakote CC to Bengaluru Dairy	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(7)
8	Kanakapura CC to Bengaluru Dairy	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(8)
10	Solur cc to Channarayapatna Powder Plant	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(10)
11	Solur CC to Ramanagara powder plant	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(11)
13	Kanakapura Dairy to Ramanagara Powder Plant	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(13)
15	Vijayapura CC to Mother Dairy	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(15)
18	Byrapatna CC to Ramanagara Powder Plant	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(18)
19	Anekal CC to SKA Dairy, Thali, TN	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(19)
20	Anekal CC to Pondicherry, TN	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(20)
22	DB Pura CC to Parag Dairy, AP	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(22)
23	DB Pura CC to SKA Dairy, Thali, TN	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(23)
24	DB Pura CC to FarmGate	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(24)
25	Hosakote to SKA Dairy, Thali, TN	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(25)
26	Hosakote to FarmGate	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(26)
27	Kanakapura Dairy to SKA Dairy, Thali,TN	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(27)
28	Vijayapura CC to SKA Dairy, Thali, TN	KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363(28)

1	Access to E-tender Documents	**03.03.2021 to 22.03.2021 up to 5:00pm**
2	Tender clarification date & time	**20.03.2021 up to 5:00 pm**
3	Last date for submission of tender/ quoting	**22.03.2021 up to 5:00 pm**
4	Date & time for opening Technical Tender	**24.03.2021 at 11:00 am**
5	Date & time for opening Commercial Tender	**09.04.2021 at 11:00 am**
6	Place of opening of Technical and Commercial Tender	**BAMUL (Bengaluru Dairy) Board Room**

The Tenderers may submit separate tender for the above, Tenderers are advised to note the qualification criteria specified in Section VII to qualify for award of the contract.

The EMD Amount is Rs. 50,000/- for Each Tanker.

The Earnest money deposit (E.M.D.) valid for 45 days beyond the validity of the tender i.e. total for 135 days, Tender processing Fee, modes of e-payment, tender document details and Other details are mentioned in **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Tender No: KMF/BAMUL/MP-1/2020-21/363.

SD/- MANAGING DIRECTOR
TENDER INVITING AUTHORITY, BAMUL

The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited

H.O, No.2, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru - 560 018. Ph 26677552 26679041, 26506279

SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES THROUGH PUBLIC AUCTION

Auction sale under the securitization and reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforce of Security Interest Act 2002 Section 13(4) of the Immovable properties mortgaged to The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd., is brought to Sale under **" AS IS WHERE IS AND AS IS WHAT IS BASIS CONDITION"**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrower	Description of Property	Boundaries and measurement	Balance outstanding amount to be paid to bank/ Reserve Price	Date of Public auction
1	**Sri.B.R.Vasudevan** S/o. Late M.Raju R/a No.43/1, 9th Cross,R.C.Agrahara Chamarajpet, Bangalore.18. **Surety: Smt.Indra Devi** W/o. B.R.Vasudevan R/a No.43/1,9th Cross, R.C.Agrahara Chamarajpet, Bangalore.18.	**ITEM NO.1** All that pieces and parcel of the property No.2,(in erstwhile SyNo.62/2, Gavipuram village Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk) Khatha No.111 Present BBMP Khatha No.111/2 Devanathchar Street, Dasappa Garden, Chamarajpet Bangalore.18.	Measuring East To West 25'9" North To South 65'6" in all totally measuring 1699 sqft Together with building/s Constructed theron, along with casementary rights Appurtenances, etc.,and the property is bounded on the East by:property No.3 Belonging to siddappa West by:Property No.1 Belonging to L.Siddalinga North by:Property belonging to Kudlimutt South By:Layout Road.	**Rs.69,71,306/- UP TO 03.03.2021 Reserve Price Secured Debt Rs. 1,02,91,900/-**	**23.03.2021 TUESDAY 11.30.A.M.**
		ITEM NO.2 All that pieces and parcel of the property No.3, (in erstwhile SyNo.62/2, Gavipuram village Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk) Khatha No.111 Present BBMP Khatha No.111/2 Devanathchar Street, Dasappa Garden, Chamarajpet Bangalore.18.	Measuring East To West 8 North To South 66' in all totally measuring 528 sqft Together with building /s Constructed theron, along with casementary rights Appurtenances, etc.,and the property is bounded on the East by:Remaining portion of the same property West By Property No.2 belonging to Gowramma and others,North by:Property belonging to Kudlimutt South By:Layout road,The old PID No.of the property is 46-24-111/2 old ward No.46, old ward Name:chamrajpet,new PID No.140-W0169-5, new ward no.140, new ward name:Chamarajpet,the schedule property vests within the jurisdiction of Basavanagudi sub-registrar dist.		
2	**Smt. H.Pankajakshi** No.5, 4th Main, 9th Cross, Ramachnadra Agrahara, Chamarajpet, Bangalore.18 **SURETY: Sri.Chetan kumar Singh** No.5, 4th Main, 9th Cross, Ramachnadra Agrahara, Chamarajpet, Bangalore.18.	**ITEM NO.1** Property bearing No.5, Old No.3, Situated at 9th cross Road,4th main road Ramachandra Agrahara, Chamarajpet, BBMP Limits, Bangalore. BMP Ward No.45, Azad nagar, PID No.45-6-5	Measuring East To West: 20ft North To South:30 ft Totally measuring 600sqft And bounded on:- East By:Passage and remaining portion of the same property West by:Property no-4 belongs to Ramesh North By: Property sold by Sundrabai to Thothabai & Road, South by: Property No.18	**Rs.36,61,741/- UP TO 03.03.2021 Reserve Price Secured Debt Rs. 78,00,000/-**	**23.03.2021 TUESDAY 11.00.A.M.**
		ITEM NO.2 Property bearing 5, Old No.3, Situated at 9th cross Road,4th main road Ramachandra Agrahara, Chamarajpet, BBMP Limits, Bangalore. Ward No.45, Azad nagar, PID No.45-6-5	Measuring East To West: 18ft North To South:14 ft Totally measuring 252sqft And passage measuring 4ft x 60ft from North to South And bounded on:- East By:Private property West by:Common passage & property of H.Pankajakshi & private property. North By: Private Property & Main Road, South by: Private Property		

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

(1) The public auction will be conducted in the premises of The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Head Office No.2, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bangalore-560018.
(2) For participation in the auction the intending bidders have to deposit an amount equivalent to 10% of the Reserve price of the property being cautioned deposit by means of Demand Draft/Pay Order drawn in favour of M/s.The Grain Merchant's Co.Operative Bank Ltd., The cautioned deposit shall be forfeited by the bank without any prior notice, if the successful bidder fails to adhere to the terms of sale, time and commits default in any manner.
(3) The Property **"SHALL NOT"** be sold below the reserve price
(4) In case the bidder is not successful the EMD amount shall be refund without interest.
(5) The successful bidder should deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD) immediately after the auction sale, on the same day, in Cash or Demand Draft and the balance of the Sale price within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale. In case of default by the successful bidder, all the amounts deposited till then shall be forfeited without notice and the property shall be put for re-auction.
(6) The successful bidder shall bear the statutory dues/taxes/charges/property tax/electricity charges/water charges/conveyance charges such as stamp duty, registration fee etc. that is required to be paid in order to get the property conveyed in his favour, as per the applicable laws.
(7) The authorized officer has absolute right to accept or reject any or all if the tender or/bid/offer and/or adjourn/postpone/ cancel the auction sale without assigning any reason, and also to modify an or all terms and conditions of the sale without prior notice.
(8) The sale is subject to confirmation by the Bank.
(9) The property can be inspected by the intending bidder between 10.00 A.M. to 5.00 P.M. at his/her expenses at the address mentioned in the schedule.
(10) The property is put for sale on "AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" AND "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION" the intending bidder shall satisfy himself about the title,ownership,statutory approvals, encumbrances etc. of the property.

Place:Bangalore
Date: 03.03.2021

Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
The Grain Merchants' Co Operative Bank Ltd., Bengaluru-18

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POPE BEGINS HISTORIC TOUR OF IRAQ WITH CALL FOR PEACE

BAGHDAD

POPE Francis called for an end to extremism and violence in his opening address on Friday on the first-ever papal visit to Iraq, long ravaged by war and now gripped by coronavirus.

The 84-year-old is defying a second wave of the global pandemic and renewed security fears to make a "long-awaited" trip to comfort one of the world's oldest Christian communities, while also deepening his dialogue with Muslims.

"May there be an end to acts of violence and extremism, factions and intolerance!" urged Francis in the stirring address, his first after arriving in Iraq.

Francis landed in the afternoon at Baghdad's International Airport, where he was greeted by Prime Minister Mustafa al-Kadhemi, as well as groups showcasing Iraq's diverse folklore music and dance.

He then met with President Barham Saleh—who had extended the official invitation to the pontiff in 2019—as well as other government and religious figures.

At the imposing presidential palace, the head of the world's 1.3 billion Catholics gave a moving address, stressing the deep roots of Christianity in Iraq. *AFP*

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the public that Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has issued the Environmental Clearance to **M/s Acebright (India) Pharma Private Limited,** vide letter **F. No. 23-2/2017-IA-III** dated **02.03.2021** for "Change in product mix at existing unit" located at Plot No.**77D & 116/117, KIADB Industrial Area,** Jigani village, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District. The Environmental Clearance issued by the Ministry of environment, forest and climate change, New Delhi can be accessed at the web site **http://parivesh.nic.in/**

KARNATAK A NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)
Office of the Executive Engineer, KNNL, Dandavathi Reservoir
Project Division, Shikaripura .Ph:08187-222206

Short Term Tender Notification 55/2020-21 Date: 03.03.2021 (Two Tender document & E- Procurement System only)

Short term percentage tender are invited as per K.T.P.P Act 2000 on behalf of the Managing Director KNNL Bangalore by the Executive Engineer, KNNL, DRP, Division Shikaripura from eligible contractors such as **KPWD Class-I or KNNL Cat-III & above** The tenders are required to submit tenders only through E-procurement portal of Govt of Karnataka **(http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in).** **"AME of Anjanapura Dam & Gates Provided and Repairs under Anjanapura Reservoir Project in Shikaripura Taluk for the year 2020-21"** for Work of Amount put to tender Rs. 70.61 lakhs and EMD Rs. 0.71 Lakhs.

1) Date of downloading & submission of tender (through e-procurement) will be on 04.03.2021 to 12.03.2021 up to 17.00 hrs. 2) Last date tender queries : 10.03.2021 @ 17.00 hrs. 3) opening of technical bid will be on 15.03.2021 @ 11.00 hrs. 4) Financial bid will be opened after approval of technical bid.

For more details visit website from date-04-03-2021 at **(http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in).**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, KNNL, DRP Division, Shikaripura

DIPR/SMG/No.34-03 zenkar/2020-21

SIR M. VISVESVARAYA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.,
Corporate Office: # 109, Shankarmutt Road, Shankarpuram, Bangalore - 560004. Phone No.: 080-22956419 / 22956420, E-mail: corporate@vcb.co.in, Website: www.vcb.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE
[(Rule-8(1)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Limited,** Bangalore under the Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest [Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)] and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with (rule 3) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 22.12.2020 calling upon the borrower **M/s. Vishalakshi Enterprises** having its Registered Office at # 827, Vijaya Bank Layout, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore - 560076 and Branch Office at # 797, "Annapoorna", 10th Main, 35th Cross, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560011 represented by its partners **Sri Varun B C** residing at No. 797, 10th main, Jayanagar, 7th Block, Bangalore - 560011, **Smt. G Padmavathi and Sri M. Shashikumar** both residing at No.105/C, 30th Cross, 7th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560011 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 11,82,77,865/- (Rupees Eleven Crores Eighty Two Lakhs Seventy Seven Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty Five Only) as on 30.11.2020 within 60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **5th day of March 2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd., J.P. Nagar Branch, Bangalore** for an amount of **Rs. 11,82,77,865/- (Rupees Eleven Crores Eighty Two Lakhs Seventy Seven Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty Five Only) as on 30.11.2020** plus interest from 01/12/2020 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE - A (Property belonging to Sri M Shashikumar
(Schedule of the entire land of 2 acres)

1) All that piece and parcel of Portion of converted land bearing Sy.No. 49, situated at Thalaghattapura, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, duly converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purposes measuring to an extent of 2 acres duly converted by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District vide his order No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(S) 204/2002-2003 dated 25.11.2002, and bounded on the:

East by : Kanakapura Road, **West by :** Land of Sy. No. 52, 59, 48 & 47, **North by :** Remanining Land of Sy. No. 49 of H K Nanjundaswamy, **South by :** Remaining portion land of Sy. 47 of Ramaswamy

2) All that piece and parcel of Portion of converted land belonging to Sri M. Shashi Kumar bearing Sy.No. 49, situated at Thalaghattapura, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, duly converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purposes measuring to an extent of 17 Guntas out of 2 acres duly converted by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District vide his order No.B.DIS. ALN.SR(S) 204/2002-2003 dated 25.11.2002, with BBMP Khatha No.24/814/49, and bounded on the:

East by : Kanakapura Road, **West by :** Land of Sy. No. 52, 59, 48 & 47, **North by :** Remanining Land of Sy. No. 49 of H K Nanjundaswamy, **South by :** Remaining portion land of Sy. 49 of K Rajashekara.

SCHEDULE - B (Property belonging to Sri M Shashi Kumar)

All that Piece and Parcel of portion of converted land bearing Sy. No. 49, situated at Talaghattapura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk duly converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purposes, by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District vide his order No. B DIS ALN SR (S) 204/2002-2003 dated 25.11.2002 now coming under BBMP limits with BBMP Khatha No. 25/812/49 PID No.198-M0189-223 and measuring to an extent of 1 acre 27.50 guntas and bounded on:

East by : Remaining land in Sy No. 49, **West by :** Remaining land in Sy No. 49, **North by :** Remaining land in Sy No. 49 and 52, **South by :** Kanakapura main road

Date : 05-03-2021
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Limited

The wife of a protester, who was killed during a demonstration on March 3, cries over his coffin on Friday | AFP

Myanmar forces fire at protesters again, 1 killed

UN special envoy calls on Security Council to take urgent action

YANGON

A protester was shot dead in Myanmar on Friday in the latest round of bloodletting at anti-coup demonstrations.

Despite an increasingly brutal crackdown by the military authorities that has seen more than 50 people killed, protesters took to the streets again in towns around the country to denounce the coup.

In Mandalay, Myanmar's second-largest city, hundreds of engineers took to the streets crying "Free our leader" in reference to ousted State Counsellor Aung San Suu Kyi, detained by the military since the first night of the coup.

A 26-year-old man helping at barriers set up in the city to slow security forces died after being shot in the neck, medical officials told reporters.

The killing follows the deadliest day of the crackdown so far on Wednesday, when the UN said at least 38 people were killed as graphic images showed security forces firing into crowds and bloodied bodies dragged away.

In the southern city of Dawei police fired tear gas at demonstrators, while there was defiance despite the danger at protests in the commercial capital Yangon.

"Scared, yeah I'm very scared to stay on the frontline. But we believe in our comrades and we promise to protect each other," protester Didi, 27, said.

The UN Secretary General's special envoy on Myanmar on Friday urged the Secuirty Council to act to end the brutal repression.

"There is an urgency for collective action. How much more can we allow the Myanmar military to get away with?," Special Envoy of the Secretary-General on Myanmar Christine Schraner Burgener told the Security Council. She said the international community must be clear that "previous and current crimes will not go unpunished".

The junta has sought to stop news of the crackdown getting out, choking the internet and banning Facebook, the most popular social media platform in the country.

But live video feeds and recorded footage are leaking out daily, and on Friday the junta suffered its own internet ban as YouTube shut off a number of military-run channels.

Friday also saw many parts of the country hit by power cuts for several hours, though it was not clear if this was a deliberate measure in a country where infrastructure is often unreliable.

Amid intensifying crisis in the country, 16 people, including 11 policemen, crossed the border and took refuge in Mizoram. *Agencies*

Pak opposition to boycott trust vote

ISLAMABAD

IN a relief for Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan on the eve of a vote of confidence on his government, the country's Opposition alliance on Friday announced they will boycott the floor test.

The opposition claiming their candidate's victory in the Senate election was itself a "no-confidence motion" against the premier.

Pakistan Democratic Movement (PDM) chief Maulana Fazlur Rehman said no Opposition member will attend the National Assembly session scheduled for Saturday, in which Prime Minister Khan will seek a vote of confidence.

The announcement from the chief of the PDM, a 10-party Opposition alliance, comes after Khan delivered an address to the nation, explaining why he was seeking a vote of confidence in the wake of the Senate elections in which the opposition managed to stage an upset.

PDM candidate and former prime minister Yusuf Raza Gilani defeated ruling Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) candidate Abdul Hafeez Shaikh on Wednesday, in a major blow to Khan, who had personally campaigned for him.

Rehman said Gilani's "victory was itself a no-confidence motion against Khan". He claimed that President Arif Alvi in his notification to summon Saturday's session had essentially stated that PM Imran had "lost the trust of the majority" and he, therefore, needed to seek a vote of confidence.

So when the president talks about losing trust to call the session of the National Assembly, then this further strengthens the stance of the Opposition," he was quoted as saying by the Dawn newspaper.

Ahead the floor test, Prime Minister Khan met his allies on Friday to firm up a strategy in Parliament, where his candidate, Shaikh, was defeated by a margin of 5 votes just two days ago. Khan met the lawmakers from Mutahida Qaumi Movement Pakistan (MQM-P), Pakistan Muslim League Quaid-e-Azam (PML-Q) and Grand Democratic Alliance (GDA) and discussed the vote of confidence.

Sources in the PTI said that GDA had some issues as its candidate for senate seat was defeated in Sindh Assembly and the prime minister had assured them to address the concerns. Similarly, he also tried to assure the MQM-P about concerns regarding development-related issues of Karachi. *PTI*

A man watches Imran Khan deliver an address to the nation on Thursday night | AFP

Election body expresses shock over Imran's claim

Islamabad: Pakistan's election commission on Friday expressed shock and disappointment over Prime Minister Imran Khan's allegations against it, asserting that the Senate elections were held as per the Constitution and it has "never come under any sort of pressure and God willing, will not in future as well." Prime Minister Khan lashed out at the election commission which he said failed to stop corruption in Wednesday's closely-contested Senate elections.

Saudi Arabia asks India to use cheap oil bought last year to cool prices

RIYADH

INTERNATIONAL oil prices rose after OPEC and its allies ignored India's plea to ease production control, with Saudi Arabia asking New Delhi to instead use oil it bought at rock bottom rates last year.

Brent crude, the most widely used benchmark, on Friday rose nearly 1 per cent to $67.44 a barrel after the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and its allies, a group known as OPEC+, agreed not to increase supplies in April awaiting more substantial recovery in demand.

India had in the run-up to Thursday's OPEC meeting urged the producers' group to ease production curbs to fulfil their promise of stable oil prices. Responding to a question on India's pleas, Saudi energy minister Prince Abdulaziz bin Salman at a press conference after the OPEC+ decision on Thursday said New Delhi should take some of the crude out of storage that they had purchased at very cheap rates last year.

"With regard to India, very simple. I would ask my friend that he withdraw some of the cheap oil that they bought in April, May and June (last year)," the Saudi Minister said.

"There is an opportunity cost for not withdrawing it now."nIndia had purchased 16.71 million barrels of crude in April-May, 2020 and filled all the three Strategic Petroleum Reserves created at Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh and Mangalore and Padur in Karnataka. The average cost of that crude purchase was $19 per barrel, according to Pradhan's written reply to a question in the Rajya Sabha on September 21, 2020.

Retail petrol and diesel prices, which already are at historic highs, should rise if the oil companies decide to pass on the surge in international oil prices to consumers.

India, the world's third-biggest oil importer and consumer, had supported the decision of the oil producers' cartel OPEC and its allies to cut production last year in view of the oil demand collapsing due to the spread of Covid-19. *PTI*

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APPENDIX-IV A
[See proviso to Rule 8(6)]
e-AUCTION ON 25-03-2021
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

e-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) & Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrower/Guarantors/Mortgagors in particular that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Bengaluru, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on **25-03-2021** for recovery of **Rs. 86,92,304/-** (Rupees eighty six lakhs ninety two thousand three hundred four only) as on 04-03-2021 + interest + Cost and expenses. costs, charges, etc. and further interest at contractual rate from 05-03-2021 & expenses thereon, with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. due to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India from **Sri. Chandrashekar B.K. S/o. Sri. Kempe Gowda**

Reserve Price (Below which the properties will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid increment amount	Last Date for Submission of EMD
Rs.65,87,000/-	Rs.6,60,000/-	Rs.1,00,000/-	on or before 23.03.2021- 4.00 P.M.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY WITH KNOWN ENCUMBERANCES (IF ANY)

Tender No. SBI/RACPC/B'GUDI/2020-21/ :
All that piece and parcel of the immovable residential property being a vacant Site bearing No.90, carved and formed out of converted Sy.No.52/1(duly converted from Agricultural to Non-Agricultural residential purposes vide Official Memorandum No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(S)353/96-97 dated 28-04-1997, issued by the special Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District, Bengaluru), situated at 3rd Main Road, V.V. Nagar, Vasanthapura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, presently comes under the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No.197, Serial No.1788, Khata No. 800/90/52/1 together with all rights, appurtenances, whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface, standing in the name of Sri. Chandrashekar. B. K S/o. Sri. Kempe Gowda, measuring East to West : 9.14 mtrs, North to South : 18.28 mtrs, totally measuring 167.07 sq. mtrs. **Bounded by:** East: Road, West: Iskcon compound, North: Private Property, South: Site bearing No.89

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided by the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Retail Assets Central Processing Centre-1, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru, represented by its Authorised Officer, i.e., (1) www.sbi.co.in (2) www.tenders.gov.in and (3) https://www.bankeauctions.com/Sbi.

Date: 04.03.2021
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/-
(Lokesh)
Authorised Officer

ASIA MATTERS

SRI LANKA

Covid victims buried, ending long standoff

Sri Lanka ended its forced cremation policy by allowing the burial of two persons who succumbed to the Covid-19 pandemic, Army chief Gen Shavendra Silva said on Friday. Amidst mounting international criticism, Sri Lanka revised a controversial mandatory order to cremate the bodies of Covid-19 victims, which denied minority communities, including Muslims, their religious rights. The government's designated burial site at Tamil-majority Iranathivu islet in the north eastern region faced opposition from the residents. On Friday, two Muslim-dominated local councils in the eastern region had come forward to provide a burial site and accordingly the two bodies were buried in the Ottamavadi area in the eastern Batticaloa district. A top police official said at least another 27 bodies held at morgues will be buried.

SINGAPORE

Data of frequent fliers breached: Singapore Airlines

Around 5,80,000 frequent fliers have been affected by a data breach, Singapore Airlines (SIA) has said. The data breach involves the passenger service system servers of SITA, an air transport information technology company. "While SIA is not a customer of the SITA PSS, this breach of the SITA PSS server has affected some KrisFlyer and PPS members," the carrier said. "The information involved is limited to the membership number and tier status and, in some cases, membership name," the airline said.

NEPAL

Govt signs peace accord with Maoist rebels

A Maoist group accused of staging several attacks signed a peace deal with Nepal's communist government on Friday, bringing an end to the country's only active insurgency. PM KP Sharma Oli hailed the deal as "historic" at a gathering with the group's leader Netra Bikram Chand, who came out of hiding for the signing. Nepal has enjoyed relative peace since 2006, when a decade-long civil war ended and most rebels joined mainstream politics But some formed a new Communist Party of Nepal.

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
440.76	Sensex	50,405.32	₹32.6	24 carat (1 gm)	₹4,451.6	₹998	Per kg	₹65,128	Dollar		73.02
142.65	Nifty	14,938.1	₹32.5	22 carat (1 gm)	₹4,433.8	₹1	Per gm	₹65.13	Euro		87.27

India will appeal against Cairn award: FM

Nirmala Sitharaman says that government will appeal in cases where its sovereign authority to tax is questioned

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

FINANCE Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Friday indicated that the Centre will likely plead against an international arbitration tribunal decision that has directed India to return $1.4 billion to UK oil and gas firm Cairn Energy Plc.

She said that while the BJP government is against retrospective tax, the government will certainly appeal in cases where the nation's sovereign authority to tax is questioned.

"Where I find an arbitration award questioning India's sovereign authority to tax... if there is a question about the sovereign right to tax, I will appeal, it's my duty to appeal," she said. "An arbitration award, which questions the authority of government to tax, I will appeal on that," Sitharaman repeated at a meeting on Friday.

The Centre has lost two high-profile arbitrations recently, one related to Vodafone Plc and the other, Cairn Energy.

The government has already challenged in a Singapore court the international arbitration tribunal verdict that overturned its demand for ₹22,100 crore in back taxes from Vodafone Group Plc.

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Nirmala Sitharaman, Union Minister of Finance

However it has not yet appealed in the case of Cairn Energy, where the tribunal has asked the Indian government to return the value of shares seized and sold, dividend confiscated, and tax refund stopped—all moves made to set off its ₹10,247 crore tax demand on Cairn. The tax department had slapped the tax demand on Cairn in March 2015 over alleged capital gains it made while reorganising its India business prior to an Initial Public Offering in 2006-07.

"We have made our position clear on retrospective taxation. We have repeated it in 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019, 2020, till now. I don't see any lack of clarity," Sitharaman added at the meeting, referring to the NDA government's stand of not raising any new tax demand using the 2012 legislation.

The statement comes just days after finance ministry officials held three rounds of talks with Cairn executives, including CEO Simon Thomson, in an attempt to find an amicable solution acceptable to both sides of the dispute.

ASIANOMICS

JAPAN

BANK OF JAPAN WON'T WIDEN BOND YIELDS

Bank of Japan Governor Haruhiko Kuroda said he saw no need to widen an implicit band set for its long-term interest rate target at a policy review in March, stressing the need to keep borrowing costs low to support a pandemic-ravaged economy. The BoJ caps the 10-year bond yield at around zero under a policy dubbed as yield curve control (YCC), and currently allows the benchamark yield to move 40 basis points around the target. Markets have been rife with speculation the BoJ would widen that band and allow yields to move higher, but Kuroda played down that possibility on Friday. His remarks briefly sent yields of 10-year Japanese government bonds to a nearly 3-week low of 0.07 per cent, before recovering to 0.09 per cent. Expectations of a strong post-pandemic recovery are pushing up global yields including those of Japan, where the 10-year yield has briefly crept near the BoJ's implicit 0.2 per cent ceiling.

CHINA

AIMS AT MODEST GDP GROWTH, PLEDGES MORE JOBS

China set a modest annual economic growth target, at above 6 per cent, and pledged to create more jobs in cities than last year, as the world's second-biggest economy planned a careful course out of a year disrupted by Covid-19. Last year, the country dropped a GDP growth target from the premier's work report for the first time since 2002. China's GDP expanded 2.3 per cent last year, the weakest in 44 years but making it the only major economy to report growth. But the 2021 target was significantly below the consensus estimates, pegging growth at around 8 per cent this year. China's conservative growth target reflects a public effort to demostrate a return to economic stability after last year's Covid-19 upheaval. While the low GDP target doesn't mean the government will rush to tighten policy, with many parts of the economy still struggling, it will give planners room to push efforts. China also plans to boost annual research and development spending by over 7 per cent every year util 2025.

SINGAPORE

BANKS TO MONITOR MYANMAR FUND FLOWS

Singapore's central bank has asked financial firms to be vigilant for any suspicious transcations or fund flows between the city-state and Myanmar, a circular seen by news agency Reuters showed, citing concerns over the potential for money laundering, terrorism financing, and other financial crimes. In a circular issued on February 25, the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) reminded all chief executives of financial institutions of the need for robust customer due diligence and appropritate risk mitigation measures in higher risk situations. The move comes amid weeks of mass demonstrations in Myanmar after the military seized power. Singapore's position as one of the world's leading financial centres and a trade hub makes it particularly vulnerable to money laundering due to large cross-border flows. Singapore has close ties with Myanmar and is one its biggest investors. In the circular, the MAS urged financial institutions to keep timely tabs on the fast developing situation in Mynamar, including unilateral sanctions imposed by other jurisdictions.

Goal is to reduce compliance burden at both state, central levels: PM

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Friday said that both the Centre and state governments should aim to reduce the compliance burden on companies, adding that the government is aiming to reduce 6,000 compliance requirements during the current year.

"This year, our effort is to reduce 6,000 compliance burdens at the state and Central level. The compliance burden should be reduced. Technology has come. I want to get rid of the forms for everything. Your suggestions and advice are priceless in this... With technology, we must reduce such compliances," Modi said. He was addressing a webinar on the government's recently announced Production Linked Incentive schemes.

"We believe that government interference in everything creates more problems rather than solutions. That is why we are emphasising on self-regulation, self-attesting, self-certification," he said.

The Prime Minister added that 13 sectors have been brought under the Production Linked Incentive system for the first time. Modi went on to say that the PLI scheme would make a major impact on the country's MSME ecosystem by creating anchor units in every sector that will require a new supplier base across the entire manufacturing value chain.

"Even during the pandemic, the sector manufactured goods worth ₹35,000 crore last year, saw a fresh investment of about ₹1,300 crore and created thousands of new jobs," he added. With PLIs rolled out for auto and pharma, there will be less foreign dependence in supplying the sectors, he noted.

ICEA seeks long-term stable tax policies

The India Cellular and Electronics Association (ICEA), which represents companies like Apple, Winstron, Lava, Vivo etc, in its recommendation to the Prime Minister's Office and Niti Aayog said that there should be long term policies to address disabilities, a stable tax regime aligned with the phased manufacturing plan, and a review of the GST regime to boost domestic demand. "On the basis of such forward-looking policy interventions, India should be able to focus its efforts to capture investment opportunities," said ICEA Chairman Pankaj Mohindroo.

Banks slash home loan interest rates to 10-year lows

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

AS the financial year draws to a close, banks both public and private have unleashed a rate cut war in the home loan segment in order to bulk up their retail portfolio and stay competitive.

Taking a cue from SBI, Kotak Mahindra Bank, and mortgage lender HDFC, private sector lender ICICI Bank on Friday reduced home loan interest rates to 6.7 per cent—the lowest in 10 years—for home loans up to ₹75 lakh. For loans over ₹75 lakh, it is 6.75 per cent. The revised rates will be applicable till March 31.

"We have seen a resurgence in demand from consumers, who want to buy homes for their own consumption, in the past few months. We believe that this is an opportune time for an individual to buy his/her dream home, considering the prevailing low-interest rates," pointed out Ravi Narayanan, Head-Secured Assets, ICICI Bank.

Other banks. too, have been coming out with limited period offers on home loans. While SBI, which controls one-third of the home loan market, is now offering home loans starting at 6.7 per cent (6.8 per cent earlier), Kotak claims its offering to be the lowest in the market at 6.65 per cent (6.75 per cent earlier). Mortgage lender HDFC has also cut its retail prime lending rate on housing loans, on which its adjustable-rate home loans are benchmarked, to 6.75 per cent. But, unlike SBI and Kotak, HDFC hasn't cut loan rates for a limited period.

Bankers say there has been a spurt in demand for these loans despite a drop in general consumer confidence in a contracting economy. These assets are seen as attractive bets more than ever compared to risky corporate loans. After a dip in the first half of 2020-21, home loans had grown nearly 9 per cent year-on-year as of November, compared to overall loan growth of 6 per cent.

CHEAP RATES

According to a report by Emkay Global Financial Services, systemic monthly home loan disbursement in February was at a high of `75,000 crore as against `40,000 crore on average mainly due to pent-up demand led by benign rates, attractive property prices, and a change in customer behaviour in favour of house ownership or bigger houses. SBI led the pack with a nearly 31 per cent market share, followed by HDFC group at 19 per cent and ICICI at 13 per cent

9 per cent
growth in home loan disbursement up to Nov

6 per cent
growth in overall loan disbursement up to Nov

Trifecta Capital closes second fund raise with ₹1,025 cr in kitty

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

VENTURE debt firm Trifecta Capital on Friday announced the closure of its second fund after raising ₹1,025 crore ($140 million) from investors.

The company said that the second fund, which had been announced in 2019, was oversubscribed and has, till date, invested ₹900 crore in 38 companies. According to the firm, it will be launching its third fund in the third quarter of the current calender year with a corpus of ₹1,200-1,500 crores ($165-200 million).

Trifecta is credited with launching India's first venture debt firm in 2014, with commitments of ₹500 crore ($68 million). This fund, now in its sixth year, has already returned over three quarters of its capital to its investors, and is likely to return 100 per cent of the capital by June 2021. Across the two funds, Trifecta Capital has invested approximately ₹2,000 crore so far ($274 million) in 72 early-growth and growth-stage start-ups.

Besides consistently beating the quarterly hurdle on returns for over five years, we have returned a significant portion of our first Fund to investors

Rahul Khanna, managing partner, TC

Venture debt offers working capital and expansion support to early and growth stage start-ups without setting a valuation for the business and results in lesser dilution of equity.

Nine of TC's portfolio companies have become unicorns so far and several others are likely to achieve the milestone in the next 12 months. Rahul Khanna, managing partner, TC, said, "Besides consistently beating the quarterly hurdle on returns for over five years across both funds, we have returned a significant portion of our first Fund to investors and are building a strong foundation for the future. We are grateful to our investors for their continued support".

Trifecta Capital's portfolio includes Big Basket, Pharmeasy, Cars24, Vedantu, ShareChat, UrbanCompany, CureFit, CarDekho, NoBroker, and BharatPe amongst several others. Its portfolio has cumulatively raised $8.1 billion of equity and is valued at around $20 billion.

TVS Motor launches new Apache RTR model with ₹1.28 lakh price tag

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

CHENNAI-based automaker TVS Motor on Friday launched the new Apache RTR 200 4V with a single-channel anti-lock braking system with a price tag of ₹1.28 lakh. According to the company, the model among the most unique features of the motorcycle is that it comes in three ride modes—sports, urban, and rain.

According to TVS Motor Company, the bike comes with many other segment firsts such as an adjustable front suspension, adjustable brake and clutch levers, and a race-tuned slipper clutch. In the Indian two-wheeler market, the Apache RTR 200 faces direct competition from Bajaj Pulsar NS200, KTM 200 Duke and Honda Hornet 2.0.

TVS says that the Urban mode is the one where engine power delivery is tuned to deliver optimum power and control to tame the urban jungle with the ABS optimised for a quick response. The Rain mode, meanwhile, primes the ABS to deliver the maximum response. The Sports mode allows for maximum power and sharp acceleration. The ABS is mapped for the least intervention and highest permissible slip percentage for faster lap times, TVS added.

The new Apache is fitted with a 197.75cc, 4-stroke, 4-valve, oil-cooled engine with race-tuned fuel injection technology.

EXPRESS READ

Satyendra Prakash takes over as PDG, BOC

New Delhi: Satyendra Prakash, a 1988-batch Indian Information Services (IIS) Officer, has taken charge as the Principal Director General (PDG) of the Bureau of Outreach and Communication (BOC) under the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. This is the highest IIS post and is equivalent to Secretary to the Government of India.

Coal India approves second interim dividend

New Delhi: State-owned CIL on Friday said its board has approved payment of second interim dividend of `5 per share for 2020-21. Coal India has fixed March 16 as the Record Date for the purpose of payment of second interim dividend for 2020-21, the company said in an exchange filing.

Govt makes dual airbags mandatory from April 1

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
@ New Delhi

THE Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) has mandated that all new passenger vehicles should have dual airbags from April 1, 2021. For the existing models, the compliance date has been set at August 31 2021.

Back in December 2020, the ministery had proposed to make airbags compulsory for the passenger seated in the front next to the driver. According to current safety standards, passenger cars sold in India are required to provide only one airbag.

While cars and SUVs launched in recent times are fitted with six to eight airbags and have scored very high on safety tests, there are still base models of entry level vehicles that come with only one airbag.

According to an industry executive, the addition of an extra airbag is likely to increase prices of smaller hatchbacks by ₹5,000- 8,000.

"At present, base variants of cars such as Alto, Kwid, and Santro follow current norms of offering only one airbag for drivers. The new proposal is aimed at making cars more safer but the new rule also comes at a price. Manufacturers will have to make the changes in quick time in order to comply with the new norms," an industry executive said.

TAKEOVER

Ascendas to acquire Casa Grande facility

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

ASCENDAS Property Fund Trustee Pte Ltd, the trustee-manager of Ascendas India Trust, has entered into a forward purchase agreement with Casa Grande group to acquire the latter's first industrial facility located at Mahindra World City, Chennai.

Ascendas will provide funding for the development of the project as part of the forward purchase arrangement. However, the company did not disclose the deal value.

The project is an industrial facility with a net leasable area of about 0.42 million square feet. The construction work is expected to be completed by mid-2021. The project is currently fully pre-leased to Pegatron Technology India, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Taiwanese contract electronics manufacturer.

Sanjeev Dasgupta, Chief Executive Officer of the trustee-manager, said, "The proposed acquisition will add exposure to the industrial asset class and diversify our portfolio. The industrial segment has been resilient through the pandemic".

Ascendas India Trust will fund the rest of the project's development and subsequently acquire the asset. Upon completion and fulfilment of other key conditions, it would purchase 100 per cent of the shares of the entity developing the project, it said.

UNMET DEMAND

PVR Cinemas to add 80-85 new screens this year, small towns in focus

BINITA JAISWAL @CHENNAI

MULTIPLEX chain operator PVR Cinemas is witnessing a faster-than-expected recovery and is hopeful of reaching pre-Covid numbers in the next two months. Speaking to this publication, Pramod Arora, chief growth and strategy officer, PVR Ltd, said that strong pent-up demand to watch movies on the big screen and the flow of good content will help deliver rapid recovery.

In order to ensure that it can cater to the rising demand, PVR is busy in expanding its footprints in Tier II and Tier III cities. "We have plans to launch at least 80 to 85 new screens, mostly in smaller towns, this year," Arora added.

As part of this expansion plan, the company launched a six-screen property in Mysuru on Friday, while it had opened three new screens in Kanpur on March 1. Hoping to capitalise on the growing potential of markets with inadequate screens despite high demand, PVR is working with small developers and reviving defunct single screen theatres by converting them into multiplexes.

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Pramod Arora, Chief Growth & Strategy Officer, PVR Ltd

Arora added that there was a huge potential for growth in smaller towns for the multiplex industry since while the disposable income in Tier-II and Tier-III cities has increased, people have limited avenues to spend quality time. PVR aims to make modern cinematic experience accessible to audience across the country, he said.

Arora added that PVR has managed its cash flow during the pandemic in a way that has helped tide over difficult times. "We have introduced enhanced hygiene protocols and safety measures. Business has picked up and people are back at cinemas. There is a strong content pipeline this year which will help to get business back on track," he said.

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POSSESSION NOTICE
[(Rule-8(1)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Limited,** Bangalore under the Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest [Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)] and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with (rule 3) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 22.12.2020 calling upon the borrower **M/s. Chaithanya Enterprises,** situated at No. 797, 10th Main, 35th Cross, Jayanagar 4th Block, Bangalore - 560011. represented by its partners **Sri M Shashikumar, Sri Sathish Kumar M and Smt. Chaithra S** all residing at the Address # 105/C, 30th Cross, 7th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560070 and **Smt. Hemalatha Murthy** residing at # 656, Vijaya Bank Colony, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore - 560076 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 1,46,07,851/- (Rupees One Crore Forty Six Lakhs Seven Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty One Only) as on 30.11.2020 within 60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **5th day of March 2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd., J.P. Nagar Branch, Bangalore** for an amount of **Rs. 1,46,07,851/- (Rupees One Crore Forty Six Lakhs Seven Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty One Only) as on 30.11.2020** plus interest from 01/12/2020 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE - A (Property belonging to Sri M Shashi Kumar)

All that Piece and Parcel of portion of converted land bearing Sy. No. 49, situated at Talaghattapura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk duly converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purposes, by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District vide his order No. B DIS ALN SR (S) 204/2002-2003 dated 25.11.2002 now coming under BBMP limits with BBMP Khatha No. 25/812/49 PID No.198-M0189-223 and measuring to an extent of 1 acre 27.50 guntas and bounded on:

East by : Remaining land in Sy No. 49, **West by :** Remaining land in Sy No. 49, **North by :** Remaining land in Sy No. 49 and 52, **South by :** Kanakapura main road

SCHEDULE - B (Property belonging to Sri M Shashi Kumar)

All that piece and parcel of the property belonging to Sri M. Satish Kumar at No. 34/33/5B, Old No. 33/5, Jaraganahalli Village, Previously Pattanagere CMC, Bangalore South Taluk, presently Yelachenahalli Sub Division, Jaraganahalli, Bangalore, with BBMP Khatha No. 34/33/5B New PID NO. 185-W0070-32 totally measuring 9154 Sq.ft.

The property is in 'L' shape and the measurement is as follows:-

Item No.1 : East to West : Northern Side 60 ft. and Southern Side 60 ft.
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Item No.2 : East to West : Northern Side 30 ft. and Southern Side 32 ft.
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East by : 25 ft. Common Road, **West by :** Mariyappa's property, **North by :** Viswamurthy Achar's Property, **South by :** 30 ft. common Road

Date : 05-03-2021
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APPENDIX – IV A
[See proviso to Rule 8(6)]
E-AUCTION ON 25.03.2021
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
(EXCLUDING MOVABLE ASSETS, IF ANY, LYING IN THE PREMISES)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets (excluding movable assets, if any, lying thereon) under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6)and 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the below mentioned Borrower(s)/Mortgagor(s) in particular that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India and whose actual physical possession has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on **25.03.2021** for recovery of loan dues to the State Bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s)/Mortgagor(s)as specifically mentioned hereunder against their names.

The Name and Address of the Borrower(s)/Mortgagor(s), Outstanding dues, and the reserve price, the earnest money deposit (EMD), bid increment, time and date of e-auciton and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for each property of the said Borrower(s)/Mortgagor(s) to be sold will be as under:

(1)Name & Address of the Borrower/Mortgagor	**Sri. Melwin Mathias,** S/o Late Sri Augustion Leo Mathias, No.90, 3rd Main, 3rdCross, Anandgiri Extension, Hebbal, Bengaluru – 560024. **Also at: (i)** Flat No.001, Ground Floor, 'PEACE PARK', "BR Valley Park", Balagarnahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Rural Dist. **(ii)** C/o Balkanni, Opp. Kent Water Purifier, No.604, 12thCross, Vinayaka Layout, 4thStage, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru – 560072. **(iii) Office Address:** Sri Melwin Mathias, M/s IBM India Pvt. Ltd., Manyatha Embassy Business Park, D-1, Outer Ring Road, Nagavara, Bengaluru – 560045.
Outstanding Dues for recovery of which property is being sold	**Rs.60,82,533/-** (Rupees Sixty Lakh Eighty Two Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Three Only) as on 03.03.2021 and further interest at contractual rate from **04.03.2021** with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.,

Property No.	Reserve Price (Below which the property will not be sold)	EMD	Bid increment	Time & Date of Auction	Last day for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
(1)	Rs.20,18,000/-	Rs.2,01,800/-	Rs.20,000/-	11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on 25.03.2021	23.03.2021 up to 4.00 p.m

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

TENDER NO: SBI/GWR/18230/HL/239/2020-21:

PROEPRTY No. (1) : SCHEDULE 'A'- All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site Nos.55, 59, 62, 66, 56, 57, 64, 65, 58, 60, 61 and 63, V.P Katha Nos.1217/55, 1221/59, 1224/62, 1228/66, 1218/56, 1219/57, 1226/64, 1227/65, 1220/58, 1222/60, 1223/61 & 1225/63 respectively, Presently bears clubbed common Katha No.1218/56-1219/57-1220/58-1222/60-1223/61-1227/65-12, SI.N0.150200101500401329, situated in the layout Known as **"BR Valley Park"** formed in converted Sy.Nos.48/1, 48/2, 48/3, 48/4 & 49/2 {the land bearing Sy.Nos.48/1 & 48/2 is Converted by the office of the Special Deputy Commissioner vide Official Memorandum dated 31/03/2009, bearing No.ALN (A) (K and A) SR:398/07-08, and land bearing Sy.Nos.48/3 & 48/4 is converted by the office of the Special Deputy Commissioner vide Official Memorandum dated 11/11/2010, bearing No.ALN (A) (A) SR:41/10-11, and land bearing Sy.No.49/2, is converted by the office of the Special Deputy Commissioner vide Official Memorandum dated 31/03/2009, bearing No.ALN (A) (K and A) SR:397/07-08 for the measuring 32.08 Guntas and Official Memorandum dated 11/11/2010, bearing No.ALN (A) (A) SR:42/10-11 for the -measuring 33.08 Guntas} and a layout approved by the Anekal Planning Authority vide No.APALAO/65/2010-11, dated 17/05/2011, situated at Balagaranahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, and totally measures East to West 54.43 Mtrs and North to South 30 Mtrs, totally measuring 1632.9 Sq.Mts or 17576.54 Sq. feet, the said Property presently physical availability measuring about 1626.45 Sq. Mts or 17507.1078 Sq.feet with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on the: East by: Road, West by: 3M Pathway and Park; North by: Road, South by: Road.

SCHEDULE "B" : 360 Sq. ft. undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule "A" above.

SCHEDULE "C": **Flat bearing No.001**, Present V.P. Katha No.1217/001, Property ID No.150200101500420164 in the Ground Floor, measuring about 1202 Sq. feet super built up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing and vitrified flooring together with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried residential building known as **"PEACE PARK"** constructed over Schedule "A" Property. The Said Flat standing in the name of Sri Melwin Mathias, S/o Late Sri Augustino Leo Mathias, vide Sale Deed dated 11.08.2017, registered as Document No.BSK-1-05266/2017-18 and CD No.BSKD413 dated 11.08.2017 at SRO, Basavanagudi (Banashankari), Bengaluru.

(2)Name & Address of the Borrower/Mortgagor	**Sri. Melwin Mathias,** S/o Late Sri Augustion Leo Mathias, No.90, 3rd Main, 3rdCross, Anandgiri Extension, Hebbal, Bengaluru – 560024. **Also at: (i)** Flat No.002, Ground Floor, 'PEACE PARK', "BR Valley Park", Balagarnahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Rural Dist. **(ii)** C/o Balkanni, Opp. Kent Water Purifier, No.604, 12thCross, Vinayaka Layout, 4thStage, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru – 560072. **(iii) Office Address:** Sri Melwin Mathias, M/s IBM India Pvt. Ltd., Manyatha Embassy Business Park, D-1, Outer Ring Road, Nagavara, Bengaluru – 560045.
Outstanding Dues for recovery of which property is being sold	**Rs.60,77,934/-** (Rupees Sixty Lakh Seventy Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Four Only) as on **03.03.2021** and further interest at contractual rate from **04.03.2021** with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.,

Property No.	Reserve Price (Below which the property will not be sold)	EMD	Bid increment	Time & Date of Auction	Last day for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
(2)	Rs.19,30,000/-	Rs.1,93,000/-	Rs.20,000/-	11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on 25.03.2021	23.03.2021 up to 4.00 p.m

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

TENDER NO: SBI/RACPC1/GWR/18230/HL/240/2020-21:

PROEPRTY No. (2) : SCHEDULE 'A'- Same as mentioned in Property (1) referred to herein above.

SCHEDULE "B" : 345 Sq. ft. undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule "A" above.

SCHEDULE "C": **Flat bearing No.002,** Present V.P. Katha No.1217/002, Property ID No.150200101500420165 in the Ground Floor, measuring about 1150 Sq. feet super built up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, vitrified flooring together with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried residential building known as **"PEACE PARK"** constructed over Schedule "A" Property. The Said Flat standing in the name of Sri Melwin Mathias, S/o Late Sri Augustino Leo Mathias, vide Sale Deed dated 11.08.2017, registered as Document No.BSK-1-05265/2017-18 and BSKD413 dated 11.08.2017 at SRO, Basavanagudi (Banashankari), Bengaluru.

(3) Name & Address of the Borrowers/ Mortgagors	**(1) Sri Balbir Singh,** S/o Sri Ramji Lal, **(2) Smt. Reshma,** W/o Sri Ramji Lal, **Both residing at:** (i) B29, 16-B Main, 3rd Sector, HSR Layout, Bengaluru - 560099. (ii) No.94, 8th Main, 2nd Cross, Tata Nagar, Bengaluru - 560092,
Name & Address of the Guarantor	**Sri Suresh Kumar Gupta**, S/o Late Sri Baghwandas, No.55, KSIIDC Bommasandra, Industrial Area, Anekla Taluk, Bengaluru District – 562158.
Outstanding Dues for recovery of which property is being sold	**Rs.7,97,437/-** (Rupees Seven Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Seven Only)as on **03.03.2021** and further interest at contractual rate from **04.03.2021** with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.,

Property No.	Reserve Price (Below which the property will not be sold)	EMD	Bid increment	Time & Date of Auction	Last day for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
(3)	Rs.28,14,000/-	Rs.2,81,400/-	Rs.30,000/-	11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on 25.03.2021	23.03.2021 up to 4.00 p.m

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

TENDER NO: SBI/GWR/50573/HL/98/2020-21:

PROEPRTY No. (6) :SCHEDULE A : ITEM NO.(1): All that piece and parcel of Immovable Property being residentially converted land approximately measuring 4 acres 15 guntas in Survey no.101 and 16 guntas in Survey No.156/2 totally measuring approximately 4 Acres 31 guntas in extent together with approximately 17 guntas of Kharab Land in Survey No.156/2 and BDA approved Plan No. NM/AS/KS- 3 East/68/2004-05 Dated: 07/12/2004 & NM/AS/AA3/E/107/2007-08 Dated : 05/02/2008 situated in Doddatoguru Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk (Now Bangalore East Taluk), bounded on the: East by: Property in Survey No. 101 mentioned in Item No.2 below, West by: Property in Survey No.102, North by : Road and remaining portion of Survey No.156,South by : Boundary of Anekal Taluk

ITEM NO.(II): All that piece and parcel of Immovable Property being residentially converted land approximately measuring 5 acres 02 guntas in extent situated in Survey No.101 and BDA approved Plan No. NM/AS/KS-3 East/68/2004-05 Dated: 07/12/2004 & NM/AS/AA3/E/107/2007-08 Dated: 05/02/2008 of Doddatoguru Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk (Now Bangalore East Taluk), bounded on the: East by : Remaining Portion of Survey No.101, West by: Property in Survey No.101, mentioned in Item No.I above,North by: Road,South by: Boundary of Anekal Taluk.

SCHEDULE "B": All that Residential Apartment bearing **No.O-301 in Level Three(Second Floor) in Block "O"** of **"ITTINA MAHAVEER" built in SCHEDULE "A" Property** and measuring **1103 Square feet of super built up area** inclusive of proportionate share in common areas, passages, lobbies, staircase and other areas of common use with together with **331 Square feet, undivided share**, right, title, interest and ownership in the Land comprised in the SCHEDULE "A" Property and in the said Apartment the doors are made out of flush doors and steel windows and ceramic Flooring. The said Flat standing in the joint names of Sri Balbir Singh, S/o Sri Ramji Lal and Smt. Reshma W/o Sri Ramji Lal, vide Sale Deed dated 03.07.2013 and registered as Document No.BMH-1-03040/2013-14 and CD No.BMHD633 dated 03.07.2013 at the Office of the Senior Sub Registrar Office, Jayanagar (Bommanahalli), Bengaluru.

(4)Name & Address of the Borrower/Mortgagor	**Smt. Geetha K Lakshman Rao**,W/o. Sri Muralidhar,No.22/1, 1stFloor, 1stMain, Near Surana College,Vijayarangam Layout,Basavanagudi, Bengaluru – 560 004, **Also at:** (i) No.41, Ground Floor,Mountain Street, I Block East,Jayanagar, Bengaluru – 560 011, (ii) F-01, 'Sri Sai Royal Residency',Kothanur Royal Comfy, Kothanur, Bengaluru – 560 062, (iii) Mrs. Geetha K Lakshman Rao, C/o. M/s. TEK Systems India Pvt. Ltd.,RMZ NXT Campus, IB Unit 401-402,4thFloor, EPIP Zone,Whitefield, Bengaluru – 560 066, (iv) Mrs. Geetha K Lakshman Rao,C/o. M/s. ALLEGIS Services (P) Ltd., Commerce @ Mantri Level -3,12/1, N.S. Palya, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru – 560 076.
Outstanding Dues for recovery of which property is being sold	**Rs.67,59,942/-** (Rupees Sixty Seven Lakh Fifty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Two Only) as on **03.03.2021** and further interest at contractual rate from **04.03.2021** with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.,

Property No.	Reserve Price	EMD	Bid increment	Time & Date of e-Auction	Last day for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
(4)	Rs.29.07,000/-	Rs.2,90,700/-	Rs.30,000/-	11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on 25.03.2021	23.03.2021 up to 4.00 p.m

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Tender No: SBI/GWR/6866/HL/2594/2020-21:

SCHEDULE –'A' PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the immovable Residential Property being a vacant site bearing No.616, BBMP Khatha No.616, Kothanur, Royal County, New PID No.194-W0358-38, measuring East to West on Northern Side 42 feet (12.81 meters), East to West on Southern Side 40 feet (12.2 meters), North to South on Eastern Side 62.75 feet (19.13 Meters) and North to South on Western Side 64.5 feet (19.66 meters), in all measuring 2608 Square feet (242.36 Square Meters) carved out of Converted Land bearing Sy. Nos.8/3, 8/6, 13/1, 13/2, 16/2, 28/3, 30 (P), 31/1, 31/2, 31/3, 31/4, 31/5, 31/6A, 31/6B, 31/7, 31/10, 32/1, 32/2, 35/1, 35/2, 35/3, 36/4, 36/7 and 39/2 (duly converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose vide its Order Nos.B.DIS.ALN.SR(S)121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 130, 131, 133, 140 and 141/98-99 all dated 17/11/1999 and Order bearing No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(S)134 and 135/1999-2000 dated 11/02/2000 issued by Special Deputy Commissioner (Revenue), Bengaluru District, Bengaluru, in the layout known as "ROYAL COUNTY" situated at Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, presently comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bengaluru MahanagaraPalike, Ward No.194 – Anjanapura, together with all rights, appurtenances, whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on: East by: Site bearing No.615, West by: Site bearing No.617, North by: 3 Mtr. Pathway, South by: Road.

SCHEDULE –'B' PROPERTY: 216 Sq. ft. of undivided share, right, title and interest in the land comprising in Schedule –'A' Property, mentioned above together with Two Bedrooms Apartment bearing No.Fr.F-1 in the Fourth Floor measuring 1065 Sq. ft. of Super Built up Area with Vitrified Tiles Flooring and with One Car Parking Slot be the part of multistoried residential complex known as "SHRI SAI ROYAL" constructed at Schedule –'A' Property, standing in the name of Smt. Geetha K,W/o. Sri Muralidhar, vide Sale Deed registered as Document No.JAY-1-05218/2016-17 and CD No.JAYD268 dated 27.09.2016 at SRO, Jayanagar, Bengaluru.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided by the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, RACPC -I, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru, represented by its Authorised Officer, i.e., (1) www.sbi.co.in (2) www.tenders.gov.in and (3)https://www.bankeauctions.com/Sbi

FOR INSPECTION OF THE PROPERTIES PLEASEE CONTACT : 9739087288/ 9740367868

Date: 05.03.2021
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorised Officer
SBI, RACPC -I, Basavangudi, Bengaluru.

SIR M. VISVESVARAYA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.,

Corporate Office: # 109, Shankarmutt Road, Shankarpuram, Bangalore - 560004. Phone No.: 080-22956419 / 22956420, E-mail: corporate@vcb.co.in, Website: www.vcb.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE
[(Rule-8(1)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Limited,** Bangalore under the Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest [Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)] and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with (rule 3) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 22.12.2020 calling upon the borrower **M/s. I LOGICON Control Automation Private Limited,** No. 33/33/5A, Annapoorna Indl Compound, Kanakapura Road, J P Nagar, Bangalore - 560 078 represented by its Directors **Sri M Shashikumar** - Managing Director residing at No.105/C, 30th Cross, 7th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560070, **Sri Bhaskar Shenoy** residing at No.92, I Main, I Cross, Shreyas Colony, J P Nagar, 7th Phase, Bangalore - 560078, **Sri Sathish Kumar M** residing at No. 105/C, 30th Cross, 7th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560070, **Smt. Prathibha Bhaskar Shenoy** residing at No. 92, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Shreyas Colony, J P Nagar, 7th Phase, Bangalore - 560078, **Smt. Chaithra S and Smt. Padmavathi** both residing at # 45/13-1, 30th Cross, 7th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560082 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 10,64,12,757/- (Rupees Ten Crores Sixty Four Lakhs Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Seven Only) as on 30.11.2020 within 60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **5th day of March 2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Shankarmutt Road Branch, Shankarpuram, Bangalore** for an amount of **Rs. 10,64,12,757/- (Rupees Ten Crores Sixty Four Lakhs Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Seven Only) as on 30.11.2020** plus interest from 01/12/2020 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Property No. 1 SCHEDULE - A (Schedule of the entire land of 2 acres)

1) All that piece and parcel of Portion of converted land bearing Sy. No. 49, situated at Thalaghattapura, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, duly converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purposes measuring to an extent of 2 acres duly converted by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District vide his order No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(S) 204/2002-2003 dated 25.11.2002, and bounded on the:

East by : Kanakapura Road, **West by :** Land of Sy. No. 52, 59, 48 & 47, **North by :** Remanining Land of Sy. No. 49 of H K Nanjundaswamy, **South by :** Remaining portion land of Sy. 47 of Ramaswamy

(Property belonging to Sri M Shashi Kumar)

2) All that piece and parcel of Portion of converted land belonging to Sri M. Shashi Kumar bearing Sy. No. 49, situated at Thalaghattapura, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, duly converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purposes measuring to an extent of 17 Guntas out of 2 acres duly converted by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District vide his order No.B.DIS. ALN.SR(S) 204/2002-2003 dated 25.11.2002, with BBMP Khatha No. 24/814/49, and bounded on the:

East by : Kanakapura Road, **

Athletics coach Nikolai Snesarev found dead

India's middle and long distance coach Nikolai Snesarev of Belarus was on Friday found dead in his hostel room at the National Institute of Sports, Patiala, the Athletics Federation of India said. The dead body of the 72-year-old Snesarev, who returned to India after a gap of two years to be at the helm till the end of September, has been sent to a government hospital for post mortem.

INDIA HUFF, ENGLAND PANT

Wicketkeeper's third Test century helps hosts recover and end Day 2 with 89-run lead with three wickets in hand

SRINIDHI PR @ Chennai

"IT'S NOT just about how many you get, but also when you get them. If you can somehow sync the first with the second, when the team needs it most, you're a true match winner. Looking at you @RishabhPant17." That was tweeted by Adam Gilchrist, who knew a thing or two about scoring when the team needed it the most. On Friday, Rishabh Pant's match awareness was on display when he put India in control during the second day of the fourth Test against England in Ahmedabad. India are now 294-7 with 89 run lead.

It's a thin line separating the good from the best. Not long ago there was a concern about his unconventional style of play. His match-awareness coupled with maturity, all at 23,was evident in the way he played his first 82 balls to bring up his half-century when India were wobbling at 121-5. It steadied the ship. And once the lead was in sight, he shifted gears to bring up his first Test ton at home.

It was an innings of two halves. To put things in perspective, India took tea at 153 for six, having lost Rohit Sharma for 49 off 144 balls, and trailing by more than 53 runs. The way the hosts scored just 56 runs in 22.5 overs in the first session suggested that England clawed back into the game with James Anderson and Ben Stokes exerting pressure. With Pant batting on 36 and Ravichandran Ashwin at the crease, the match was evenly poised with England having the momentum by their side and also raising hopes of an unexpected first-innings lead.

It was when Pant, along with Washington Sundar, showed that India would not let the guard down easily — something that has been seemingly evident since the tour of Australia. Under pressure of a deficit that could prove costly on this pitch, Pant's knock was magnificent in this context. He buckled down with the intention of seeing out the threat on a surface that was still assisting pacers on the second day. But once he crossed the 50-run mark, his confidence multiplied.

Boring was never in his dictionary as he raced from 50 to 100 in 33 balls, after "assessing the pitch". What he showed on Friday was controlled aggression, trusting his defence in the initial phase when the team needed safety and then playing his high-risk, high-reward style when India had momentum.

Going after an experienced pacer, especially when the new ball is taken, is something even the best batsmen would refrain from doing, but Pant being Pant dared to do it. That included a reverse-flick off Anderson for four. "The plan was just to build a partnership when I joined Rohit, that was the only thing on my mind," said Pant at stumps. "I was thinking I would assess the pitch and then play my shots. If the bowlers are bowling well respect it and take the singles, and that was on my mind. I like to play the situation and I just see the ball and react — that's the USP (unique selling point) of my game."

During the innings, he also shared a crucial 113-run partnership for the seventh wicket with Washington. "The team plan was to get to 206, past the England total, and then get as many runs as possible after that. You have to premeditate reverse-flicks, but if luck is going your way you can take the odd chance. I get the license most of the time, but I have to assess the situation and take the game head on," Pant said.

SCOREBOARD

ENGLAND 1ST INNINGS: 205.

India 1st innings (overnight 24-1): Rohit lbw Stokes 49, Pujara lbw Leach 17, Kohli c Foakes b Stokes 0, Rahane c Stokes b Anderson 27, Pant c Root b Anderson 101, Ashwin c Pope b Leach 13, Washington (batting) 60, Axar (batting) 11. **Extras** (b8, lb5, nb3) **16. Total** (94 overs, 7 wickets) **294. Fall of wickets:** 2-40, 3-41, 4-80, 5-121, 6-146, 7-259. **Bowling:** Anderson 20-11-40-3, Stokes 22-6-73-2, Leach 23-5-66-2, Bess 15-1-56-0, Root 14-1-46-0.

EXPRESS READ

Satish, Ashish enter semis in Spain meet

NEW DELHI: Olympic-bound Indian boxers Satish Kumar (+91kg) and Ashish Kumar (75kg) entered the semifinals of the 35th Boxam International Tournament in Castellon. Also advancing to the last-four round was Sumit Sangwan (81kg).

Nisagra to lead state sub junior women team

BENGALURU: Nisarga SB will lead Karnataka's sub junior women's team in the Hockey India sub junior National Championship, which starts from March 10 in Jharkhand. The team will depart today.

Mount strike piles more misery on Reds

LIVERPOOL: Mason Mount fired Chelsea into fourth place in the Premier League as the midfielder's strike clinched a 1-0 win against troubled Liverpool, while Everton boosted their top four bid with a 1-0 victory at West Brom.

Fouaad's horse in quarantine

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Chennai

THE outbreak of the virus in Europe is very troubling. Events have been cancelled, fever is an obvious symptom, quarantine is the law of the land and, in some extreme cases, deaths cannot be ruled out.

The above sentence has no relation to the coronavirus but one can see why Fouaad Mirza, and the equestrian community, has made that connection between Covid-19 and Equine Herpes Virus (EHV-1), a virus that occurs among horses worldwide. Right now, EHV-1 is threatening to run amok after an outbreak was first detected in Valencia during a showjumping event a week or so ago.

Since it's transimissable, all equestrian events have been cancelled across mainland Europe for the next four weeks. A few of the events have been allowed to go on under strict biosecure rules.

One of the riders who's been directly affected by the outbreak is Mirza. In fact, he had finished fifth in a CCI 3* event at Montelibretti in Italy in the last week of February when the news of the outbreak spread. The double Asian Games medallist, who needs to meet a Minimum Eligibility Criteria (MER) to rubber-stump his Olympics ticket, will travel back from Italy to his base in Germany.

Post that, he will have to isolate himself. And his horse, Dajara 4, for two weeks. "She will be tested for the EHV-1 virus upon entry into Germany. I have made some arrangements to put her up in a separate stable. She will stay there for two weeks. Before I get her back to my stable with the other horses, I will have to test her again," he says. "She will also be subject to regular checks by a veterinarian and temperature checks." Since Mirza is coming from another country, he has to get himself tested for Covid-19.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Mumbai hold Goa in semis

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

TWO evenly matched sides — Mumbai City FC and FC Goa played out an entertaining 2-2 draw in the semifinal first leg at the Fatorda Stadium on Friday. The Gaurs twice took the lead in each half, only for Mumbai to peg them back.

The match had everything, multiple goals, quite a few penalty appeals and a flurry of yellow cards with Mourtada Fall lucky to not see red after a two footed lunge towards the end of the game.

The Gaurs were by far the better team throughout the game, dominating possession and creating numerous chances despite missing the services of Ivan Gonzalez and Alberto Noguera missing out due to suspension. They had a penalty appeal in the 16th minute but referee Pranjal Banerjee waved play on. But four minutes later, Banerjee had no option but to point to the spot after a clumsy foul by Mandar Rao Dessai on Jorge Ortiz from behind.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Neeraj's next target: Breaching 90mts

INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

BY now Neeraj Chopra is used to this. No athlete has made as many comebacks in such a short career as Neeraj. Injuries and niggles kept disrupting his fledgling career and when everything seemed on course, lockdown struck. Last January, he secured the Olympic berth with an 87.86m throw at his first international competition since the 2018 Asian Games. He missed the entirety of 2019 due to injury.

It's an oddity that whenever Neeraj returns there's a buzz. This time he threw the spear to a distance he has never touched before – 88.07m – at the third Indian Grand Prix. It was just a centimetre more than his previous national record, but the confidence it gave and the joy it sparked in his mind is immeasurable. With the Olympics just five months away, this has given him enough belief to aim for that elusive 90m-mark. "My aim will be breaching the 90m mark next," he said.

Just to give context to the 88.07m this season, it's the world leading throw this year. German Johannes Vetter, favourite to win gold in Tokyo, threw 87.27m last month.

The 23-year-old is one of India's biggest medal hopes and he is placed seventh on the Road to Tokyo qualification even with his 88.07m. Only two throwers have crossed 90m on

this list: Estonia's Magnus Kirt (90.61m in 2019) and Vetter (90.03 in September 2019). Others are hovering around the 89m-mark.

Neeraj, who has qualified for the Olympics, has been working on his technique for a while. Release had been an issue, at times his throws would cut inward. On Friday, however, he felt the technique helped him to throw beyond 88m. "There was a cross-wind and I had difficulty choosing the right javelin," said Neeraj. He was not expecting 88.07m. "I was expecting somewhere around 85-86m but the release and the jerk were very good and that's why the javelin landed that far. I am giving emphasis on my technique. After such a long break, it is difficult to get the rhythm back at once. It will take a little more time for the body to behave in a particular way."

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Indian Overseas Bank

General Administration Department, Central Office 763, Anna Salai, Chennai-2, Ph : 2851 9625/9630

Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning, Operation & maintenance of grid connected rooftop solar photovoltaic plant under RESCO model at Indian Overseas Bank, Central Office, Chennai

Applications are invited for Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning, Operation & maintenance of grid connected rooftop solar photovoltaic plant under RESCO model at Bank's Central Office, Chennai. The tender has to be submitted through e-tendering portal. For Further details refer **https://iobtenders.auctiontiger.net/EPROC/** and banks website **www.iob.in/tender.aspx.**

Last Date: 29.03.2021 **General Manager**

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, SIDDIPET

Request for Competitive offer No.Siddipet/BIO CNG/2021, dated:05.03.2021

Siddipet Municipality is proposes to establish BIO CNG plant of 10TPD and 15TPD organic manure plant at Bussapur in Siddipet Municipality. As a part of this exercise, Competitive sealed quotations are invited from experienced Manufactures/Dealers for the components to be proposed for BIO CNG plant within 07 days to the following address. The technical specifications of the proposed components can be obtained from the **https://siddipetmunicipality.telangana.gov.in** of Siddipet Municipality. Quotations can be submitted by email to **siddipetmunicipality@gmail.com** or by post to the following address and no EMD is payable at this juncture. For further details, Assistant Executive Engineer. Contact:9505507244/Commissioner, Siddipet Municipality, Contact: 9505507241.

Sd/- **Commissioner,**
R.O. No.:9667-PP/CL-AGENCY/ADVT/1/2020-21, Date:05.03.2021 Siddipet Municipality

IN THE HON'BLE COURT OF THE CIVIL JUDGE & JMFC AT NELAMANGALA
C. Misc. No. 79/2021

Petitioner : Sri. MUDDAIAH, S/o. late Ramaiah, Aged about 44 years, R/at Vadakunte village, Thymagondlu Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District & OTHERS
-V/s- Respondent : The Thasildar (Registrar of Births and Deaths) Nelamangala Taluk, Nelamangala.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

Whereas the petitioner above named has presented petition to this Hon'ble court under section 13(3) of Registration of Birth and Deaths Act 1969 for order direct the respondent authority to get enter the date of petitioner's father by name RAMAIAH, S/o.late NANJEGOWDA was died on 24.06.1986 at Vadakunte village, Thymagondlu Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. The Hon'ble court has fixed on 15/03/2021 for hearing of the petition and that if any person's desire to oppose the said petition or claim or interest shall appear before the Hon'ble court in person or by pleader duly instructed at 11 AM. Failing which the said application will be heard and determined as experte.

Given under my hand and the seal of the court on this the 18/02/2021

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Court of the Civil judge
Senior Divisional and J.M.F.C Nelamangala

Advocate for Petitioner: A. S. RAGHAVENDRA, Advocate No.24,1st Main Road, Seshadripuram, Bangalore 560020.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, BENGALURU
Jeevan Mangal Building, 1st Floor, No.4, Residency Road, Bengaluru -560025

SALE PROCLAMATION FORM NO-22

PROCLAMATION OF SALE UNDER RULE 38 AND 52(2) OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961 READ WITH THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS AND BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993
DRC No. 1580/2018 in OA No. 527/2017

CANARA BANK, ARM-2, Bengaluru V/S SRI SYED ABRAR MEHDI & Another

To: 1.Mr. Syed Abrar Mehdi, S/o Syed Ziaulla, No.29, 2nd cross, 2nd Main,Ramakrishna Layout, Thyagarajanagara, Bengaluru – 560026.**And presently Residing at:** 1582, Khinath Extension, Siraj Compound, Sathnur Road Cross, Daira, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagara District – 562160. **2.Mr. Neimathulla Baig,** C/o.Syed Aliya Bano, #600, Corporation Colony, Jayanagar (9th Block), East End Circle, Bangaluru – 560069.**Also at:** No.1582, Khinath Extension,Siraj Compound, Sathnur Road Cross,Daira, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagara District – 562160. ...Certificate Debtors

The under mentioned property will be sold by 'online e-Auction' through website **https://www.bankeauctionwizard.com** on **09.04.2021** for recovery of an amount of **Rs.3,56,97,387/-** (Rupees Three Crore Fifty Six Lakhs Nineteen Seven Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Seven Only) as on 30.09.2020 with future interest & cost till realisation.The future interest is chargeable at the same rate till realization of debt as per Recovery Certificate in O. A. No. 527/2017.

Date and Time of e-Auction	**09.04.2021 between 11.30 A.M. to 12.30 Noon**
Reserve Price	**Rs.2,26,20,000/-** (Rs Two crore twenty six Lakhs twenty Thousand Only)
Earnest Money Deposit	**Rs.22,62,000 /-** (Rupees Twenty two Lakhs sixty two Thousand only)
Last date for Bid Submission	**07.04.2021 before 3.00 P.M**
Bid Increment	**Rs.1,00,000/-** (Rupees One Lakh only)

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY : RC Schedule properties are owned by Sri Neimatulla Baig:

Sl No.	Sy.No.	Property No	Boundary	Location
1	600 coming under BBMP Limits, Ward No. 64, PID. 64-144-600.	No. 600	East by:29th A Main Cross West by:Property no. 601 North by:Property no. 599 South by:Ring Road	No. 600, Corporation Colony, Jayanagara 9th Block, East End Circle Bangalore 560069.

Measuring East to West 40 ft & North to South 25 ft, totaling 1000 sq.ft area together with building constructed thereon.

For Terms and condition of sale visit website: **https://www.bankeauctionwizard.com of M/s. Antares Systems Ltd., Bangalore** For furthere details Contact Mr. Manohar V., Mobile : 9686196756 e-mail id:v.manohar@antaressystems.com/ **Sri.S P Sivakumar, Chief Manager, Canara Bank, ARM - 2 Branch, Bangalore- 560 001, Contact No. 080-25310065, mobile no.9483544116 email:cb6298@canarabank.com.**

Given under my hand and seal on this **4th day of March 2021.**

Sd/-
Recovery Officer-1, DRT-II, Bangaluru

CAUTION NOTICE

Our clients **Smt. Tulasi, Sri. Nanda Kumar V., Sri. Logesh, Kumar V. and Smt.Parimala** (Wife and Children of Late Venkatesan @ Venkatesh G. are in possession and occupation of the schedule property after having paid huge amount to Smt. Umarani & Sri. Ilangovan. both residing at No. 34/35. Queens Road, Opp. Venkatappa Road, Bangalore - 560 051, and our clients are in possession of the Original Title Deeds of the schedule property and further our clients have filed a Civil Suit for injunction against the said Smt. Umarani and Sri. Ilangovan. If anyone deals with the said Smt. Umarani and Sri. Ilangovan with regard to the schedule property they shall be doing so at their risk, cost, and consequences towards which our clients shall not be held responsible.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property on the Ground Floor, bearing No. 12, situated at **K. Narayanapura, Opp. Sai Hospital, Kothanuru, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore - 560 077,** Now within the Limits of BBMP Ward No. 25, Horamavu Division, Bangalore, and bounded on the: **East by :**30 feet Wide Road, **West by :** Kaluve, **North by :** Site No. 13 & **South by :** Site No. 11, And measuring East to West (62+65)/2 and North to South 40 feet. together with Building standing thereon.

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7/69, 5th Cross, Hennur Road,
Lingarajapuram, Bangalore-560084
M : 99869 08308, 99647 99808

PUBLIC NOTICE

I have been retained by my clients **Sri. C N CHANDRAKANTH**, Aged about 37 years, S/o Narayanaswamy B M, and **Mrs. DIVYA CHANDRAKANTH** Aged about 30 years, W/o. C N Chandrakanth, Both are R/at. No 403, Paradise Enclave, 3rd Floor, 6th Cross, S.B.M. Colony, Brundhavan Nagar, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560 054. Have intends to purchase the immovable property described in the schedule here under from owner's **1.Mr. Narayanaswamy**, R/at No. 139, Janatha Colony, Machuranagara, 1st Stage, Varthur, Bangalore -560 087. **2. Mr. Muniraju,** R/at Sorahunase Village, Varthur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk and **3. Mr. Yallappa,** R/at Kathriguppe Village, Neriga post, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District. To ascertain the title to their schedule property acquired by through Regd. Deed of release dated: 3.11.2017, doc. No.8250/2017-18, Book-1, stored in CD No. KRID608 in the office of the Sub-Registrar, KR Puram, Bangalore and Regd Release deed dated: 13.8.2018, registered as Doc No. 4654/2018-19, Book-1, Stored in CD No. KRID627 in the office of the Senior Sub-registrar. K.R. Puram Bangalore, and Regd. Release deed dated: 26.7.2018, Doc No. 4142/2018-19, Book-I, Stored in CD No. KRID626 in the office of the Senior Sub-registrar. K.R. Puram Bangalore and being mortgaged to Repco Home Finance Limited, MG Road, Bangalore.

Any person having any claim in respect to the schedule property, by way sale, exchange, gift, Mortgage, charge, trust, inheritance, possession, lease line or otherwise howsoever, or requested to inform the same in writing to the undersigned having office at No. 15/7, 3rd Cross, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore - 560 003 within 7 **days** from the date hereof failing which the claim or claims if any such person or persons will be considered to have been waived and abandoned.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the vacant **Site bearing No. 23,** Katha No. 4127/30/1/31. Assessment No 30/1, carved out of Sy No. 30/1 (old Sy No. 30), situated at Sorahunase Village Varthuru Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, presently comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP, Ward No. 149, measuring East to West : 28 Ft. and North to South 40 ft. totally measuring 1120 Sq. Ft., and bounded on: East by : Government College. West by : Road North by : Site No. 22, South by : Site No 24

Place, Bangalore Dated : 05.03.2021

T. A. Harish, Advocate / Legal Advisor.
16/7, 3rd Cross, Sampige Road, Malleswaram, Bengaluru-560003

Government of Karnataka
Department of Public Libraries
Office of the Deputy Director, City Central Library, South Zone, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011.
Tel : 080-26548829 Emil : cclsouthzone@gmail.com

No. CCL/SZ/A2/28/Lib.Fur.Pur/2020-21 **Date: 05-03-2021**

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through E-Procurement portal)

Tender in two cover system are invited for the year 20200-21 form eligible firms/companies for Supplying library wooden and steel furnitures in City Central Library, South Zone, Bengaluru and its various branch libraries. Eligible firms/companies should participate through E- procurement portal of Government of Karnataka.

The Amount of tender is Rs. 03.00 Crore. E.M.D. Amount for the Tender is Rs. 06.00 Lakhs. Those who are interested to participate in the Tender should login through **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Website. Pre-Bid meeting date: 10-03-2021, Time: 11.30 AM, Venue : O/O the Deputy Director, City Central Library, South Zone, Jayanagar, Bengaluru. Last date for submission of Tender is on 16-03-2021 within 04.00 P.M. Technical bid will be opened on 18-03-2021 at 11.00 A.M. The bidders may also contact undersign for further details @ 080-26548829 during the office working hours.

Sd/- Deputy Director,
City Central Library, South Zone,
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LOSS OF DOCUMENT

My client **M/s. ESSEM18 DEVELOPERS** PRIVATE LIMITED, represented by its Managing Director S.M. VENKATESH, son of late S.Munirathnam is the absolute owner of land bearing Sy.No.15/3, measuring 1 acre 20 guntas, out of total extent of 5 acres 15 guntas, situated at Rachanamadu village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South taluk. My client has lost the original sale deed dated 09/07/1998, which is registered as document No. **BNG(U)-KNGR/6029/1999-2000,** in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Kengeri, Bangalore, executed by Narayanamma, wife of Ramachandra Reddy, in favour of D.S Sudhakar Babu, son of late Seetharamaiah. Any person having the said document may kindly hand it over to me. **K.P.Ramdas,** Advocate No.418/31-2, 18th main, 4th T Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560041 9341218392

Place : Bangalore
Dated : 05/03/2021

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E- TENDER
TENDER NOTICE NO. 01 - DCE - CN - I - MDU - 2021 -OT

The Deputy Chief Engineer. Construction / I / Southern Railway. Arasaradi. Madurai-625016 invites e-tender for the following works as per Notice inviting Tender (NIT) in our portal **www.ireps.gov.in** The tenderers/Contractors intending to apply for the tender needs to get enrolled in the portal **www.ireps.gov.in** and **only online tenders will be accepted.** The cost of the tender form and the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) should be made through online payment gateway available in the website by the way of multiple bank's net-banking. debit card and credit card.

Name of work: GAUGE CONVERSION IN MADURAI-BODINAYAKKANUR SECTION SUPPLY INSTALLATION, COMMISSIONING AND MAINTENANCE OF TRACK BASED WAYSIDE LUBRICATORS IN THE TRIAL LWRs IN USILAMPATTI-ANDIPATTI SECTION (ELECTRONIC TYPE) WITH DUAL GREASE APPLICATOR/WIPER AS PER RDSO SPECIFICATIONS INCLUDING SUPPLY OF GREASE.

Approximate Cash Value in Rupees: **₹2688266.00.** Period of Completion in month(s) : **TWO.** Closing / Opening Date @ **26 03 2021 15.00 hrs.:**

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SALE PROCLAMATION FORM NO-22

PROCLAMATION OF SALE UNDER RULE 38 AND 52(2) OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961 READ WITH THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS DUE TO BANKS AND FINANICAL INSTITUTIONS ACT, 1993
DCP No.14187 in OA No.407/2015

Between: UCO Bank and Mr. S. Kantharaju and Others

To,1.Mr.S. Kantharaju S/o Sri. Srinivasan, No.74, 1st Cross, Khatha No.699, Vidyaranayanagar, Andrahalli Main Road, Bangalore -560091, **2. Smt. P. Aruna** W/o Mr. S. Kantharaju, No.74, 1st Cross, Khatha No.699, Vidyaranayanagar, Andrahalli Main Road, Bangalore -560091, **3. Mrs. P.Indira** W/o Sri. G.P. Selvam, No.92/1, G.P.Selvam, 4th Cross, Devasandra, K,R, Puram, Bengaluru – 560036 ...Defendants

The under mentioned property will be sold by '**online e-Auction'** through web site **http://drt.auctiontiger.net** on **09.04.2021** for recovery of an amount of **Rs.29,42,793/-** (Rupees twenty nine lakhs forty two thousand seven hundred and ninety three only) Includes costs and interest **as on 29.08.2019**. The futures interest is chargeable at the same rate till realization of debt as per recovery certificate bearing **OA No. 407/2015.**

Date and Time of Auction	**09.04.2021 Between 11.30 p.m. and 12.00 noon**
Reserve Price	**Rs.65,17,000/-** (Rupees Sixty Five lakhs seventeen thousand only)
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	**Rs.6,51,700/-**(Rupees Six lakhs fifty one thousand seven hundred only)
Bid Increment Amount	**Rs.50,000/-** (Rupees Fifty thousand only)
Last Date & Time of e-Tender form & EMD submission	**07.04.2021 Before 3.00 P.M.**

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of Property bearing, Khaneshmari No.74, Assessment No.55/1 and 43/3, Katha No.699 Andrahalli, Yashwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk measuring East to West: (36+62)/2 Feet and North to South (40+48)/2 feet, in measuring 2156 Sq.ft. and bounded on the east by: Property bearing No.75, west by: Private Property, north by: Road, South by: Property No.152.

For Terms and condition of sale visit website http://.drt.auctiontiger.net, M/s. e-Procurement Technologies Limited (abcProcure), Ahmedabad is the Service Provider to arrange e-auction platform. [Contact No.079-40016816/35/79/83/91] Email ID: support@auctiontiger.net].

For further detail contact: **Mr. V. Chandan Kumar, Senior Manager, UCO Bank, Peenya Branch, Bangalore – 560058 for ascertaining the details of property and also for inspection of property, contact No: PH: 080 28394968, Mob: 8748890888, E-mail: peenya@ucobank.co.in**

Place: Bangalore
Date : 04.03.2021

(Rajasekharan. R)
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POSSESSION NOTICE (Rule 8 (1) (for immovable property)(Symbolically)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd., A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord. 3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued and demand notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers/ legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers /legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers /legal heirs and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule. The borrowers / legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd., A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sl.No.	Name of the Loanee	Balance outstanding	Particulars of Immovable Property & Measurement
PADMANABHANAGAR BRANCH			
1.	**Smt. Shubha**	Demand Notice Dated : **15.12.2020** Possession Notice Dated : **01.03.2021** Balance outstanding: **Rs. 68,74,049/- as on : 01.03.2021**	**New Municipal No. 126/1/1277, BBMP Khatha No.1298, Old No.38, Halagevaderahalli Village, Old Khatha No. 125/1/126/1 & 1277/126/1/38, Rajarajeshwari Nagar Ward No. 160, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru.** **East to West : 31.5 feet & North to South : 38 Feet** East by : **Sri. Ganganna's Property,** West by : **3.6 feet passage & Sidda Gangappa HB's property,** North by : **Sri. Gangadharaiah's property,** South by : **Sri. Srinivasaiah's property**

Date : 05.03.2021
Place: Bangalore

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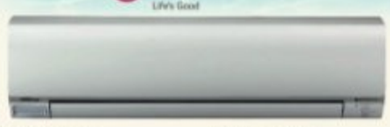
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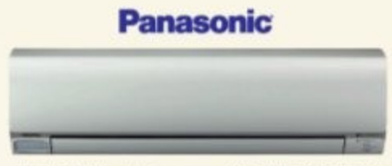
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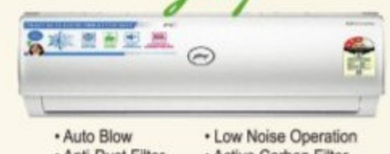
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FINDING SUCCESS

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The Martian (English)

WHERE: Disney+ Hotstar

As NASA made its touchdown on Mars last week, recap the story from the red planet with *The Martian*. When astronauts blast off from Mars, they leave behind Mark Watney. Mark begins a new life on Mars and also gets his hand on organic farming to feed himself until the next Mars mission comes to his rescue. His airlock suffers a malfunction that destroys his soil. With the survival chances becoming thinner and thinner, will he make it back to the Earth?

DIRECTOR: Ridley Scott
CAST: Matt Damon, Jessica Chastain

Drishyam 2 (Malayalam)

WHERE: Amazon Prime Video

If you love a thriller that leaves you on the edge of your seat, *Drishyam 2* is your best bet for the weekend. It is a sequel to *Drishyam 1* and director Jeethu Joseph takes viewers on a journey of unexpected twists and turns as Georgekutty struggles to save his family from a crime he does not want to surrender to. As the cops try to blow his cover, can Georgekutty use his knowledge to save his family, or will he finally surrender?

DIRECTOR: Jeethu Joseph
CAST: Mohanlal, Meena, Murali Gopi

Firefly Lane (English)

WHERE: Netflix

Based on a novel by Kristin Hannah, *Firefly Lane* is about two close friends, Kate and Tully, who share an unbreakable bond. The series explores various plotlines on romance, motherhood, marriage, and offers a package of emotions. The show takes off with Tully and Kate's relationship during the school days to their late 40s and gives you a glimpse of their inseparable friendship through situations spanning different timelines.

CREATED BY: Maggie Friedman
CAST: Katherine Heigl, Sarah Chalke

Invisible City (Portuguese)

WHERE: Netflix

Invisible City is a gripping story of unprecedented discoveries during the pursuit of an investigation. Set in Rio De Janeiro, an environmental officer investigates his wife's death, who encounters the mysterious appearance of a dead pink river dolphin. As the officer steams up the investigation, he discovers an unusual set of magical powers that mirrors his wife and that is oblivious to human nature.

CREATED BY: Carlos Saldanha
CAST: Alessandra Negrini, Marco Pigossi

STYLE CHECK

Designer Raghavendra Rathore, who is having a trunk show in the city, talks to *CE* about B'luru's sense of style, how high-end fashion has found itself in a migratory space and more

VIDYA IYENGAR

BENGALURU is a summer city, allowing room for experimentation for menswear designers, as the weather permits many offerings for the warm months, says lifestyle designer Raghavendra Rathore, who is hosting his trunk show in the city this weekend. The pandemic has significantly hit several sectors and it's no different for the fashion industry. According to Rathore, the pandemic has given vitality to online sales with the entire sector of high-end fashion finding itself in this new migratory space, where the importance of digitising has become a part of business strategy.

"Perhaps in some cases, this is more important than the traditional brick-and-mortar boutiques approach," he says, adding that Bengaluru is an important market for most designer brands in the north. The city, he says, thrives in the evening like any other metropolitan, offering endless possibilities of dressing up. "Traditionally, it is also an important base for production of high-value items. But with regard to fashion, it has higher expectations of quality from designer brands, thus becoming an important date on most high-end brand's calendars for trunk shows and events, to woo in younger and more adaptive customers who have a style of their own and may not conform to trends on runways," adds Rathore.

The two-day trunk show has been curated with the demands of summer season, and will host a range of products, including accessories such as shoes made in Italy, cufflinks and heirloom buttons that can be designed with personal insignias, family totems and more. The silhouettes vary from everyday wardrobe styles to evening and festive styles that have embellishments.

"The importance of customisation and controlled spending on embroideries on clothes has moved to investment in heirloom buttons which can be passed from one generation to the other, as well as simplification of styles. Spending a lot of money on outfits which have too much embroidery that can only be worn once versus spending on jewellery and perhaps the intimate wedding experience is a big trend which is here to stay," he says.

Despite designers mushrooming, Rathore points out that there is room for any sort of talent who wish to try their luck in the industry. "Having said that, I believe that new brands and upcoming designers must always understand their customer, keeping them in the centre of their strategy as they build brands. That is key," says Rathore.

Bespoke Collection by Raghavendra Rathore Jodhpur is being showcased at Armadio, 34, Sankey Cross Road, Sadashiva Nagar, on March 6.

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- Raghavendra Rathore, fashion designer

'Work'ing it out

Looking for employment? Browse through virtual stalls and drop your resume at this upcoming online job fair

SANATH PRASAD

After a year of job losses, salary cuts and uncertainty, here's a small ray of hope for those seeking work opportunities. Four BBA graduates -- Nikhitha Raj, Beena Rose, Nikitha JV and Sanjna Srinivas -- are all set to roll out a 3D simulated virtual job fair called 'Vrithi Utsava', which is an initiaive under Vedatma Animation Studios. "This 3D virtual job fair aims to target the youth from tier 2 and tier 3 cities and get them on board with companies. We are expecting close to 5,000 job seekers across different cities," says Srinivas, adding that participants can look forward to openings in different sectors like IT, engineering, finance, animation, management, etc.

While the job fair is open to everyone across the country, the team is also reaching out to semi urban and rural Indian participants as well. For this, they have connected with universities across India and in Karnataka, the group has reached out to educational institutions in Hubballi, Mysuru and Kalaburgi.

The integrated virtual platform comes with its own interface that enables communication between job givers and seekers. Nikitha JV explains, "The participants will be given log-in credentials and then they can navigate through the virtual stalls and view the company's vacancy details." Participants can also share the resume in a drop box while the companies can exchange business cards. "Moreover, the companies can assign human resource officials in different virtual rooms to conduct interview with participants real-time," adds the 22-year-old.

(Clockwise from left, standing) Nikhitha Raj, Nikitha JV, Sanjna Srinivas and Beena Rose

The idea is to bring both employers and potential employees on a singular platform, sans middlemen. Speaking about the initiative, BS Sukanya, founder of Vedatma Animation Studios, says, "We have handed over the responsibility to the young ones because they come up with innovative ideas. The entire digital infrastructure for the job fair is built by our own in-house team."

To register, visit vrithiuthsava.in/

Fun and games

Cricketer Veda Krishnamurthy and her gang took to Instagram to show off their dance moves. Sharing a video on social media, the Bengaluru girl said, "The cool gang (not the original name) going crazy before we go into isolation". Kudos to the team spirit!

New look alert

Music composer Raghu Dixit is now sporting a salt-and-pepper look. Sharing a pic on social media, Dixit said, "Feeling good! Cheers!". His followers made some witty references. One called him 'Raghu Johnny Bravo Dixit' while another felt he resembled Gerard Butler!

CITY READ

Bike rental service launched at airport

Royal Brothers, a mobility solutions provider, has launched a bike rental service at Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru. Passengers can now walk up to the Royal Brothers store, located at the arrival area, opposite Gate 11 and choose from a variety of bikes and accessories. Customers can choose the products for either inter or intra-city travel and pick up and drop the vehicle at any of the Royal Brothers stores across the states in which the brand has a presence.

Health checkup for women to be held

Hosmat Hospital is offering a free osteoporosis (bone and joint health) check-up on March 8, on the occasion of International Women's Day. The event will also include a back, neck and spine consultation and free bone mineral density (BMD) for women. The checkup will take place from 9am to 3pm at the hospital, which is located at 45, Magrath Road. For more details, contact 9035469435 or 9342531493.

Filmmaker Adarsh Eshwarappa's new short film was made without any fixed dialogues and no dubbing for live sounds

'SHOOT' AT SIGHT

EXPRESS FEATURES

Some movies stay with you long after the end credits roll. For filmmaker Adarsh Eshwarappa, American thriller *Night Crawler* (a 2014 film directed by Dan Gilroy) is one such film. It revolves around Louis Bloom, a petty thief who realises that he can make money by capturing photographs of crime scenes and starts resorting to extreme tactics to get them. So recently, when Eshwarappa was looking to make a film with the students of Tent Cinema Film School by Nagathihalli Chandrashekhar, he decided to work on a similar concept in his film *Boomerang*. The 15-minute film revolves around the way "news works these days." "This American film was always at the back of my mind. I've also seen how reality shows are shot and how news programmes work. I feel that although it is live, there is a lot of manipulation that goes in," he says. The film released on YouTube.

Along with the 15 acting students and seven filmmaking students, Eshwarappa, who has written and directed *Shuddhi* and *Bhinna*, worked on the film's post-production for about one week with the students, all of whom are in the 20-30 years age group. "The best part is that I now work on providing a scenario without coming up with any fixed dialogues. So we just had to arrive at the plot and shoot. Since dialogues were natural, there was nothing staged-managed," he says, adding that this method provides authenticity. "In fact, I am following it for my short films also. The process is so much more enjoyable," he adds.

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- Adarsh Eshwarappa, filmmaker

Eshwarappa is also conducting workshops with actors to train them and improvise on this process. In the film, they have also captured live sound (sync sound) without involving any dubbing. "We used multiple cameras to shoot the film, which we shot in one day starting at 6.30am. Like not having written dialogues, we wanted the sound also to be real," he says.

ART SHOW

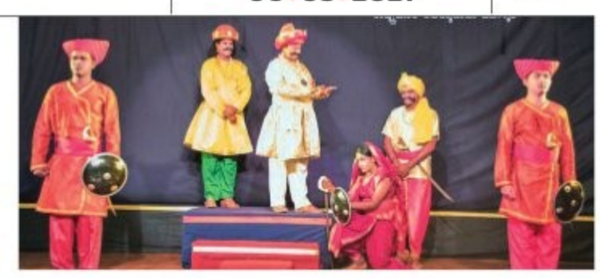
Check out the live art show featuring artist K Hiremath who will be presenting a curated selection of watercolour works. **When:** Mar 13 onwards. **Where:** Vasantha Art Gallery, Gopalan Mall, **Details:** 9980991645

MYSTIC MUSIC

Experience the mystic music festival by Ruhaniyat. The event will feature artistes like Parvathy Baul, Mukhtiyar Ali & Group, Chisti Brothers who will be performing theme- based mystic music. **When:** Mar 14 **Where:** Online **Details:** 9886495757

FOR A CAUSE

Social Offline and Devi is conducting a visual artist popup and fundraiser to help orphan girls on the eve of International Women's Day. The initiative aims to help end period poverty among women. Cost: ₹ 300 **When:** March 7, **Where:** Social, Indiranagar



THEATRE FESTIVAL

Sri Vivekananda Kalakendra is conducting Ranga Sambhrama, a cultural theatre event to create a platform for aspiring talents to exhibit their potential in theatre. Plays related to historical, social , patriotic, folk will be performed as part of the festival. **When:** March 6, 7, 6:30 pm **Where:** Samkruthi Sadana, ITI Layout **Details:** 9342254165

CHECK OUT THE LATEST COLLECTION OF JEWELLERY FOR VARIOUS OCCASIONS LIKE WEDDINGS, PARTIES, AND CASUAL WEAR AT THE OPEN TRUNK **WHEN:** MAR 6, 11AM, **DETAILS:** 9515731845

SUNDAY GETAWAY

Spend your Sundays with an exciting spread of brunch by the poolside. Get a wide range of desi chaats, pastas, salad bar, barbeque, and desserts. Rs 1,199 **When:** All Sundays **Where:** Aloft Bengaluru Cessna Business Park **Details:** 080 4510 1010

SAREE EXHIBITION

Kankatala Sarees will be organising a handwoven saree exhibition. It will showcase a wide range of apparels from Kanchipuram, Varanasi, Paithani and other weaving clusters of India. **When:** Mar 6, 7 10am **Where:** Raintree, Sankey Road, **Details:** 080 2235 4396

INDO JAPANESE SHOW

Attakkalariin association with Japan Foundation is presenting - *Scape*. The play explores vignettes from the lives of two individuals who have never met before, except through technology. The play is conceptualised by Hemabharathy Palani and Ryu Suzuki. **When:** Mar 16, 7:30 pm **Where:** Ranga Shankara, JP Nagar

HANDICRAFT EXHIBITION

Craft council of Karnataka will be hosting its annual exhibition and sale of handcrafted jewellery and textiles -Vastrabharana 2021. Nearly 45 weavers from across India will be participating in the event. Tribal textiles, Banaras sarees, North Karnataka textiles among others will be presented. **When:** Until Mar 9, **Where:** Karnataka Chitrakala Parishad

WEDNESDAY BASH

Get ready for Wednesday nights with an evening filled with food from the grill and live music. The grills include Vietnamese Jumbo Shrimp, Sambal Oelek John Dory, Korean Lamb Chops and other interesting dishes. **When:** Every Wednesday 8pm **Where:** Shiro, UB City

RETRO MUSICAL EVENING

Tune-in for a virtual retro musical evening - Sur Tarang, organised by Spastics Society of Karnataka (SSK). The event features artistes- Vidya Venkat and Zaheer Hussain. The event will be graced by singers A Hariharan and KS Chitra **When:** Mar 6, **Where:** SSK YouTube channel.

QUICK FIX

What's cooking

IN YOUR KITCHEN?
We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at cityexpresschn@gmail.com.

MUSHROOM OMELETTE

INGREDIENTS

- **Mushroom:** 250 g (Julienne cut)
- **Onion:** 1, small (Julienne cut)
- **Garlic:** 3 pods (chopped)
- **Green chilli:** 1 (chopped)
- **Eggs:** 2 ■ **Milk:** 1 spoon
- **Salt** to taste
- **Oil:** 4 tbsp
- **Butter:** 1 tbsp

METHOD

- Heat oil in a pan and fry onion, garlic and green chilli till brown. Add mushroom and cook till the water evaporates.
- In a separate bowl, break the eggs. Add salt, milk and whisk it well.
- In a pan, slow heat the butter and pour the egg into it.
- Lower the flame spread the fried mushroom on one side of it. Sprinkle some parmesan cheese. Cover it with a lid.
- Cook it for 5-10 minutes till you are comfortable with the consistency.
- Fold the free half of the omelette on top of the mushroom side and serve it hot.

— Larisa Rohana, Bengaluru

SOUND BOARD

THE RAMSEY SHOW

The Ramsey Show offers up straight talk from Dave Ramsey and his team of co-hosts. Millions listen in as callers from all walks of life learn how to get out of debt and start building for the future.
- On Spotify

PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE, LIVE!

Episodes from this podcast offers conversations between artist and audience—intimate stories about early inspirations, the creative process and what they've learned along the way.
- On Spotify

BOOKS AND BOBA

Books & Boba is a book club dedicated to books written by Asian and Asian American authors. Every episode discusses books from a range of genres such contemporary, historical fiction, sci-fi, fantasy and memoirs.
- On Apple Podcasts

GRIEFCAST

We've all probably experienced what it's like to lose someone, and it's not easy dealing with grief and death. In this podcast, host Cariad Lloyd interviews comedians and funny folk about grief, loss and the unique weirdness of that time.
- On Apple Podcasts

BECOMING WISE

The Becoming Wise podcast offers depth and discovery in the time it takes to make a cup of tea. Each episode is curated from hundreds of big conversations with wise and graceful lives.
- On Apple Podcasts

POPULAR ON YOUTUBE

POWER

A politician slips into a coma after getting attacked by criminals. He wakes up after several years to find his son has taken up his responsibilities. However, things are not what they seem to be.
- Cast: Puneet Rajkumar, Prabhu, Trisha Krishnan

ANNA THANGI

Lakshmi's husband becomes a pauper and is sent to jail after his brothers cheat him. Lakshmi's life turns upside down when she becomes dependent on Shivanna, her brother.
- Cast: Shivarajkumar, Kutty Radhika, Sadhu Kokila

BAHADDUR

Ashok, belonging to the royal Bahaddur family, falls for Anjali, a charming girl. However, his task of winning her heart gets tougher after Anjali's father fixes her engagement with someone else.
- Cast: Dhruva Sarja, Radhika Pandit, Ravi Shankar

UPENDRA MATTE BA

When Prema prays for her dead husband Upendra's help during a family crisis, Upendra's soul is sent back to Earth by Lord Yama in order to fix his son's marital life.
- Cast: Upendra, Sruthi Hariharan, Prema

Scan this QR code to find out how your favourite celebs are coping with the lockdown.

WHAT'S ON TED TALKS

1 WHAT FOODS DID YOUR ANCESTORS LOVE? BY APARNA PALLAVI

Food researcher Aparna Pallavi explores why once-essential culinary traditions disappear from people's lives and memories almost without notice — and serves up a subtle solution to revitalize our connection to the foods we eat.

2 HOW COMPASSION COULD SAVE YOUR STRAINED RELATIONSHIPS BY BETTY HART

When personal relationships and ideological differences collide, the result can lead to strained relations. Actor Betty Hart offers an alternative to cold shoulders and haughty hellos: compassion, and a chance for growth and change.

3 HOW TO LIVE PASSIONATELY — NO MATTER YOUR AGE BY ISABEL ALLENDE

Author Isabel Allende is 71. Yes, she has a few wrinkles — but she has incredible perspective too. In this candid talk, meant for viewers of all ages, she talks about her fears as she gets older and shares how she plans to keep on living passionately.

4 AN INTERVIEW WITH THE QUEEN OF CREOLE CUISINE BY LEAH CHASE AND PAT MITCHELL

Leah Chase's New Orleans restaurant Dooky Chase changed the course of American history over gumbo and fried chicken. In a chat with TEDWomen Curator Pat Mitchell, the 94-year old Queen of Creole Cuisine shares her wisdom from a lifetime of activism, speaking up and cooking.

5 WHY DO WE, LIKE, HESITATE, WHEN WE, UM, SPEAK BY LORENZO GARCIA-AMAYA

Some of the most frequent targets of communication regulation are the ums, ers, and likes that pepper our conversations. These linguistic fillers occur roughly 2 to 3 times per minute in natural speech. So are ums and uhs just a habit we can't break? Or is there more to them?

FIT BIT

URDHVA MUKHA PASCHIMOTTANASANA

(UPWARD-FACING INTENSE WEST STRETCH POSE)

In Sanskrit, 'Urdhva' means upward, 'mukha' means face, 'paschimo' means west, 'uttana' means intense stretch, and 'asana' means pose. It is a more challenging variation of paschimottanasana (seated forward bend), which is part of the Ashtanga primary series and one of the basic postures of Hatha yoga. Traditionally, it opens the Svadisthana (spleen or sacral) Chakra, which is associated with intimacy, enjoyment and creation. This Chakra also ensures self-acceptance and comfort in relationships. As it lengthens the spine, this asana frees the yogi from the past, so negative experiences or encumbrances no longer have a hold on him/her.

STEPS

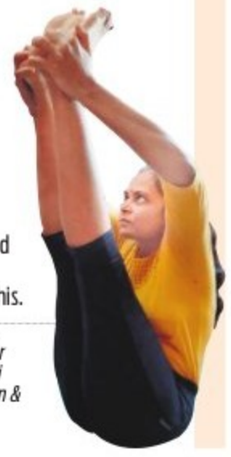
- Sit in Dandasana and gently lie down on your back.
- Inhale, raise your arms overhead.
- Straighten your legs, lift your hips and bring your feet to your hands. Grab your soles using your palms.
- Inhale, straighten your back.
- Exhale and roll up on your back to balance the body on the sit bones.
- Find your balance at this point, inhale and look upwards.
- Exhale, move the lower abdomen forward bringing the torso closer to the legs.
- Bring your forehead to your knees, gazing upwards.
- Maintain the pose for five breaths.
- Inhale, lean slightly away from the legs still maintaining the gaze up.
- Exhale, release the hands and bend the legs to reach the floor.
- Take a deep breath in and relax in the initial position.

BENEFITS

- Helps prevent digestion-related issues.
- Helps stimulate reproductive organs.
- Improves flexibility in the spine.
- Calms the mind, reduces stress and is therapeutic for mild depression.
- Stretches your calves and hamstring muscles, increasing blood flow in this area.
- Stretches your arms, shoulders, hands, wrists and legs muscles, improves the elasticity of these muscles.
- Stretches the neck, stimulating the thyroid glands and parathyroid glands.
- Promotes the production of digestive juice and enzymes that help to prevent constipation.

LIMITATIONS

- Those who have injury in the lower back, hips, hamstrings, knees, pelvis, or core muscles, avoid this.
- If you are recovering from any internal surgery avoid this.
- Pregnant and menstruating women, and migraine patients, avoid this.
- People suffering from hemorrhoids, diarrhoea, irritable bowel syndrome (IBS), abnormal blood pressure, hernia or fibromyalgia, avoid this.



— by N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

GULTOO (Kannada)

Alok, an employee in an IT company, wishes to launch his own start-up company. However, his dreams are shattered when the judicial authorities arrest him for a cybercrime.
Cast: Sonu, Naveen Shankar, Pawan Kumar
- Watch on: Voot

LIVE TELECAST (Tamil, series)

TV show director Jenifer Matthew will do anything to win the TRP game, and a supposedly haunted house in a sleepy hill station may just be her golden ticket.
Cast: Kajal Aggarwal, Anandhi, Vaibhav Reddy, Premgi Amaren
- Watch on: Disney+Hotstar

CHAMAK (Kannada)

Kush, a gynaecologist and playboy, reluctantly marries Kushi. However, things take a drastic turn when they both start getting to know each other and uncover the lies they fed one another.
Cast: Ganesh, Rashmika Mandana, Sadhu Kokila
- Watch on: Disney+Hotstar

BIG BROTHER (Malayalam)

Sachidanandan, a prison inmate, helps the police with his unique ability that helps him to see in the dark. However, when he completes his prison term, he simply wants to lead a peaceful life.
Cast: Mohanlal, Regina Cassandra, Asif Basra, Arbaaza Khan
- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

DUM LAGA KE HAISHA (Hindi)

Prem, a school dropout, hesitantly marries an educated but overweight girl, Sandhya. However, the two come closer when they take part in a race, which involves Prem carrying Sandhya on his back.
Cast: Bhumi Pednekar, Ayushmann Khurrana, Sanjay Mishra, Seema Pahwa, Alka Amin
- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

INDOO KI JAWAANI (Hindi)

After her debauchee boyfriend cheats on her, Indoo starts using dating apps to find the perfect partner. Things take a hilarious turn when she finds out that one of her dates is from Pakistan.
Cast: Kiara Advani, Aditya Seal, Mallika Dua, Rajesh Jais
- Watch on: Netflix

PITTA KATHALU (Telugu)

From secrets and lies to jealousy and control, four stories in this anthology film explore the darker, deceptive sides of love.
Cast: Manchu Lakshmi, Saanve Megghana, Naveen Kumar, Amala Paul, Shruti Hassan
- Watch on: Netflix

FOREIGN

THE GARDEN OF EVENING MISTS (English; partly Japanese and Malaysian)

A survivor of an internment camp develops a budding romance with a Japanese gardener in post-World War II Malaysia.
Cast: Angelica Lee, Hiroshi Abe, Sylvia Chang, David Oakes
- Watch on: Disney+Hotstar

MARY, QUEEN OF SCOTS (English)

Mary Stuart returns to Scotland in order to claim her rightful throne. She attempts to overthrow her cousin, Elizabeth I, Queen of England, but finds herself condemned to years of imprisonment.
Cast: Saoirse Ronan, Margot Robbie, Jack Lowden, Joe Alwyn
- Watch on: Netflix

FINDING 'OHANA (English)

A summer in rural Oahu takes an exciting turn for two Brooklyn-raised siblings when a journal pointing to long-lost treasure sets them on an epic adventure with new friends, and leads them to reconnect with their Hawaiian heritage.
Cast: Lindsay Watson, Kelly Hu, Alex Aiono, Kia Peahu
- Watch on: Netflix

I CARE A LOT (English)

A shady legal guardian lands in hot water when she tries to bilk a woman who has ties to a powerful gangster.
Cast: Rosamund Pike, Eiza Gonzalez, Peter Dinklage, Dianne Wiest
- Watch on: Netflix

SUBSCRIPTION

Netflix: ₹ 199 per month
Prime Video: ₹ 129 per month
Disney+Hotstar: ₹ 399 per year

RUBINATIONS
RUBI CHAKRAVARTI
Writer, actor and funny girl

BEING A GAME CHANGER

Good morning, Bangalore!

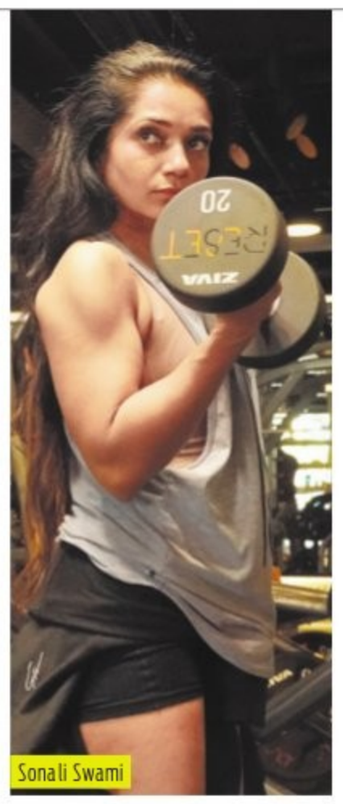
I'm going to resist the temptation of saying, 'I'm back' like good old Arnold Schwarzenegger, with his flagging muscles, hanging jowls and jiggling stomach. Although I'm not really that far behind looks wise, after standing in queue with all the other geriatrics to get my Covid vaccine, my morale is a wee bit higher.

I'm close to being a senior myself and for the first time my diabetic condition was an asset rather than a deficit because I was fortunate enough to be vaccinated. I honestly feel that in spite of what the doomsday pundits are saying, most of us are spending far too much time on this planet. The irony is that most wheelchair-bound seniors that I saw waiting to get inoculated, had children who were senior citizens themselves!

The vaccination has brought about some serious problems in 'namma-ooru'. All the beautiful people who wear tight, short and ill-fitting clothes and who have been around since kingdom came (read from the advent of Adam and Eve) are in a quandary whether to take the vaccine or not, as it will reveal their senior-citizen statuses! OMG! That will not do. They will suffer with the virus, infecting themselves and everyone else with no masks, share hookahs and party till the cows come home but will not disclose their ages and get vaccinated! I think we have to wait till the vaccine is implemented for the younger lot before these uncles and aunties go take their shots. Vanity thy name is 'venerable'! We are still reeling under new-er strains of the virus and even after being vaccinated, safety protocols like masks and sanitizers are mandatory. Is the urge to 'stay relevant' so important that we must throw caution to the winds by crowding together like catfish in a mud pond? Tch tch! Haven't we heard of smaller more intimate numbers, people... really?

Jyothsna Venkatesh

Nevidita Prasad


Sonali Swami

So Women's Day has rolled around again and once again token gestures abound. Clubs and restaurants are giving away hand-creams and cheap cocktails more to fill their own coffers than celebrate women. One restaurant had the bright idea of having bare-chested men serve the women, assuming that the sight of pigeon-chested and emaciated men will titillate our senses. We see enough of unkempt and out-of-shape men of our own at home, so we definitely don't need to pay and see them outside! But if we ignore all the extraneous hoop-la, it is really empowering and heartening to see how women (not only the young 'uns) have made huge strides in their life and choice of careers.

I met Nevidita Prasad at a good friend's home a couple of years ago. In between bouts of laughter, she admitted that she was a big fan, and while I gloated, she shyly told me how she had started a chocolate making business of her own. I mentally dismissed her, thinking, 'another housewife with chocolaty dreams.' Recently, I received a hamper of chocolates from 'Chocolate Philosophy' as a gift from a friend. I was blown away by the sheer quality and taste. There was no hint of an amateurish kitchen-cabinet enterprise... this was a savvy lady who built her brand competing with the best in the business worldwide!

Ditto, with two young ladies, Jyothsna Venkatesh and Sonali Swami, who will put Arnie's bulging biceps to shame. Both of them are small town girls with conservative backgrounds, who have metamorphosed into savvy, beautiful, sexy and inspirational women body builders. They have represented our country numerous times, exercise and post pictures with their beautiful manicures and have the courage to shine. They are adequately represented by their 'teams' and agents. No more sad stories like the PT Ushas of yore. Kudos to them and to all the women who strive to rise from the mundane to shine like diamonds.

More power and happy day all women... and men!

One doesn't need an occasion to enjoy breakfast in bed. But this Women's Day, you can treat the women in your house to a king, or rather, queen-sized meal to kickstart the day

BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

FRUITY FRENCH TOAST

INGREDIENTS

- Milk - 275 gm
- Maple syrup/honey/jaggery syrup - 60 ml
- Vanilla extract - 1 ml
- Eggs - 2
- Salt - 1 gm
- Bread slices - 6
- Strawberry or fruit compote - 3 tbsp
- Butter - 60 gm
- Icing sugar (optional) - 60 gm or as required
- Fresh whipped cream (optional) - 3 tbsp
- Fresh soft fruits like berries, banana, mango (optional) - as per taste

METHOD

- Whisk the milk and maple syrup or the sweetener of choice.
- Add vanilla extract and mix well. Pour into a large shallow plate.
- Whisk the eggs lightly with the salt. Pour into another large shallow plate.
- Apply a thin tablespoon of compote on a slice of bread and cover with another to make a sandwich. Cut into triangles. Repeat for the rest of the bread slices.
- Heat a non -stick pan and add a little butter
- Dip the sandwich in the milk to soak briefly, then quickly dip both sides into the egg and place on the hot buttered pan. Cook a few minutes on each side till golden brown.
- Plate the French toast, topped with some whipped cream , fresh soft fruit of choice and a dusting of icing sugar.

- Mandaar Sukhtankar, corporate chef, Windmills

NO EGG FRENCH TOAST

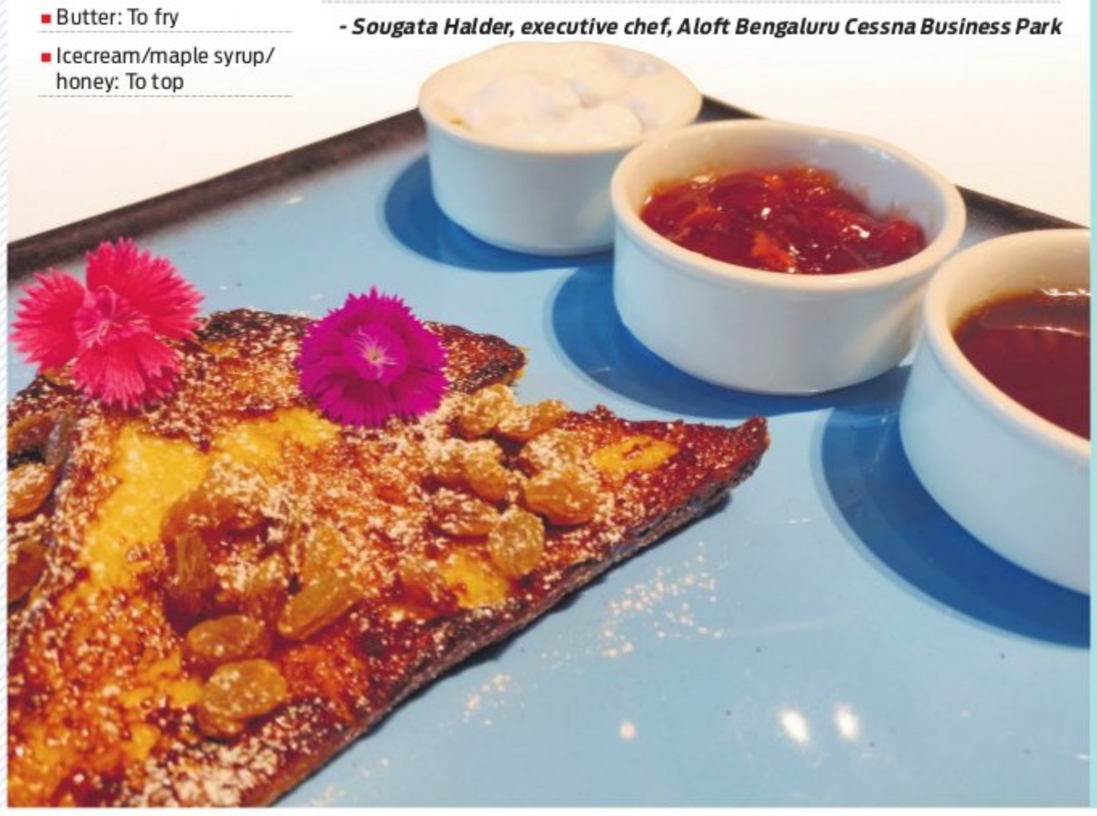
INGREDIENTS

- Milk - 1 cup
- Cinnamon powder - 1 tsp
- Sugar - 3 tbsp
- Salt - a pinch
- Bread: 8 slices
- Butter: To fry
- Icecream/maple syrup/ honey: To top

METHOD

- Mix all the ingredients to make a fluffy, creamy batter
- Dip the bread slices for five seconds in the batter
- Preheat a non-stick pan on medium heat
- Place the soaked bread and turn over after two minutes, until you get a golden colour on each side
- For more crispiness, put some sugar in the pan to caramelise, and place the toast in it both sides, for 10 seconds per side
- Serve with honey/maple syrup/vanilla ice cream

- Sougata Halder, executive chef, Aloft Bengaluru Cessna Business Park



AVOCADO TOAST

INGREDIENTS

- Ripe avocado - 150 gm
- Lime juice - 5 ml
- Salt/Kosher salt - 3 gm
- Cherry tomato - 25 gm
- Small red onion chopped - 40 gm
- Jalapeno chopped - 20 gm
- Garlic chopped - 15 gm
- Cilantro chopped - 20 gm
- Balsamic reduction - 5 ml

METHOD

- In a bowl mash avocado using fork.
- Add lime juice, tomatoes, onion, jalapeno, garlic and mix well.
- Spread mixture on bread slice and garnish using avocado slices and cilantro.
- Sprinkle balsamic reduction (vinegar) on top and serve.

- Altamsh Patel, Executive Chef, Oakwood Premier Prestige Bangalore

FRIED EGGS WITH SUNDRIED TOMATO COUS COUS

INGREDIENTS

- Fresh free range organic eggs - 2
- Cous cous - 100 gm
- Roasted almonds slivers - 1 tbsp
- Black olives chopped - 1.5 tbsp
- Sundried tomato (in oil) - 1.5 tbsp
- Extra virgin olive oil - 1 tbsp
- Olive oil pomace - 1.5 tsp
- Italian basil leaves - 4-5
- Lime juice - ¼ tsp
- Black pepper freshly milled - ¼th tsp
- Himalayan salt - ½ tsp
- Water/vegetable stock - 120 ml

METHOD

- Add the cous cous in a medium-sized mixing bowl
- Boil the water/ vegetable stock, add it to the cous cous and immediately cover with a fitting lid, leave aside for about 15 minutes.
- Chop the black olives, sundried tomato, roasted almond slivers and fresh Italian basil, freshly squeezed lime juice. Add it to the cous cous followed by extra virgin olive oil, some fresh milled black pepper a few pinches and Himalayan salt to taste.
- Transfer the ready cous cous into a small katori/ fancy ramekin dish/ glass bowl small to the brim. Keep a serving plate on top and invert the bowl onto the plate. Gently remove the dishing bowl/ ramekin.
- Take a small non stick pan, add some pomace olive oil, break in the whole eggs into the pan and place the pan on medium fire or on a induction plate at medium temperature setting.
- Let the white of the eggs completely coagulate. Season with fresh milled pepper and Himalayan salt to taste.
- Now slide the fried egg sunny side from the pan to partially on top of the cous cous. Garnish with some fresh basil leaf, roasted almonds and extra virgin olive oil drizzle. Serve hot.

- Udayshankar Shenoy, chef, Lazy Suzy

NUGGETS

Coffee brand launches new capsules

Indulge in cafe-style coffee with Coffeeza's new launches of coffee capsules and coffee machine. The capsules come in various flavours like Cremoso, Forte and also in their single-origin coffee Ethiopia variant. Each capsule contains freshly-roasted ground coffee, sourced from coffee plantations across the globe, which is then roasted and blended by master blenders in Italy and sealed into coffee capsules. The capsule's design keeps the coffee grounds fresh for up to 24 months. It is available on Amazon, Flipkart, BigBasket, TataCliq and Coffeeza.com.

New cloud kitchen in town

Impresario Handmade Restaurants has just launched a cloud kitchen brand Boss Burger in Bangalore. The menu includes OG Aloo Tikki Burger, Holy Guacamole! Black Bean Burger, or Truffled 3 Cheese Tenderloin Burger. You can pair these with classic or curly fries, onion rings, or other sides, along with shakes, smoothies and fresh juices.

EXPRESS FEATURES

Fun and food, all for her

Celebrate Women's Day with delicacies, drinks and more at these city restaurants, which are gearing up with a slew of offers, workshops and discounts

This Monday, kick those blues away with a slew of special packages for Women's Day. Restaurants in the city are coming up with a variety of offers to commemorate the occasion. Take, for instance, Merak, the lounge restaurant at JW Marriott Hotel Bengaluru. Get together with your girlfriends and head here between 6.30pm and 11.30pm for a menu that includes Skinny Pina Colada, Merak Gazer, Midnight Blue and dishes including twenty varieties of Dim sums, Char Sui Pork Bao, Crispy Lotus Stem, Sambal Shrimp and String Beans. Renaissance Bengaluru Race Course Hotel, on the other hand, is offering a 30 per cent discount for women patrons at lunch, which will take place between 12.30 pm and 3.30 pm. ITC Windsor Bengaluru will offer a 15 per cent discount on tables of five or more women at Raj Pavilion, whereas Dublin has a 1 + 1 offer on beverages for all lady guests. The offer is valid on March 8.

You could also treat yourself to a handmade dish with this workshop organised by Smoke House Deli. It will be hosted by Saurabh Aroa, city chef at Impresario Handmade Restaurants and home chef Rhea Aron, founder of KLAA kitchen. Attendees will also learn how to make Mediterranean fish Parcel with fennel with orange rocket and a feta salad. It will take place on March, 4pm onwards, at Smoke House Deli, Indiranagar.

If you're looking to kickstart the celebrations early, head to Conrad Bengaluru on March 7 for a Women's Day brunch. Other activities include a nail art bar, pop up spa, cocktail making and more. The non-alcoholic brunch begins at ₹2,400 whereas the alcoholic option starts at ₹3,900. Or you could also check out Hopshaus at Whitefield for a curated spread by chef Vikas Seth and a nail bar by Get Gorgeous. The menu includes Prawn and Avocado Cocktail, Gruyere Cilantro Mousse Stuffed Chicken Bites, Hasselback Roasted Parsnip Salad, and Peanut Butter and Caramel Mini Gateaux.

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DARSHAN TO PLAY NAVY OFFICER IN GOLDEN RING

The film, bankrolled by Rockline Entertainers, is based on a real-life story suggested by the Challenging Star; the pan-India film may be made in multiple languages

A SHARADHAA

Even as Darshan's fans are gearing up for the release of *Roberrt,* there is more excitement coming their way. The Challenging Star is all set to wear a Navy officer's uniform in his next project, which will be made under the banner of Rockline Venkatesh. The film, titled as *Golden Ring*, is based on a storyline given by Darshan himself. The makers hint that the movie will carry a pan-India appeal.

The actor-producer's historical project, *Raja Veera Madakari Nayaka,* has been pushed ahead due to the pandemic, and the production house is getting ready to go on floors with this film in April or May. Confirming the update, producer Rockline Venkatesh says, "We had shot a few portions of *Raja Veera Madakari Nayaka*, but owing to the current Covid situation, it becomes difficult for us to bring together 300-400 people on the sets. So we have decided the push the shooting ahead. Instead, we will begin shooting for *Golden Ring*." Spilling some details, Rockline Venkatesh added that the film is set in the backdrop of the Navy, and the officer's storyline was given by Darshan himself. "While the script work is going on, we are also in the process of finalising the director. We plan to start shooting from April or May.

According to Rockline Venkatesh, the team is planning to simultaneously proceed with *Raja Veera Madakari Nayaka*. "Since it is a huge film, we plan to initially shoot with artistes other than Darshan, including actor Sumalatha, and portions which require less crowd. The sections involving Darshan will be shot later," he revealed.

Rockline Venkatesh

Darshan

Hero: A rare attempt at black comedy in Kannada cinema

A SHARADHAA

It is not often that one gets to see a Kannada film that explores the dark comedy genre. Directors usually shy away from dealing with this genre as it requires loads of creative scriptwriting and most often, appeals only to a certain type of audience.

If you are one of those who can recognize humour, wrapped in the dark cloak of violence or nestled in the gentle arms of love, then *Hero* is for you. The tagline loosely translates to 'You can't be a hero without being a coward, words by George Bernand Shaw. Call *Hero* a dark romance, a love tale with twists, or a violence-filled film and you wouldn't be wrong. But the dark humour shines through the circumstances that the characters (they don't have names) face up against.

There is trouble in love paradise, and the protagonist, a hairdresser (Rishab Shetty) reenters his ex-girlfriend's (Ganavi Laxman) life with the intention to take revenge on her for dumping him. But he changes his mind looking at her situation, deciding to help her cover her wrong deeds. How he rescues himself and his love from all the clutches forms the crux of this action-comedy-adventure. Once the plot is sprung, the movie devolves into a tale of emotions, guns, bloodshed, and battles, Result, they run into chaos, puzzling coincidences, and face off against mounting troubles. The second half of the movie builds upon the cat and mouse chase that the protagonist and the heroine have to undergo.

The movie, shot during the pandemic, has garnered a lot of attention. It is a brave attempt by debutant director Bharath Raj M. Rishab Shetty is an artiste always open to experimenting and the film pans out as a humorous thriller. Chikamagaluru serves as the backdrop with a single house in this idyllic location forming a large part of the film.

The director forsook character building for wit and murders happen at random. The narration doesn't really ask for much in the way of characters too, as the fast-paced story keeps you occupied. Rishab delivers a one-of-a-kind performance and we see the desire in his eyes, to help his lost love. For the heroine, it is about much more than getting back to an old beau. She uses Rishab to extricate herself from the emotional wreck she is in and Ganavi Laxman portrays the role to perfection.

Music director Ajaneesh Loknath's perfect background score, and cinematographer Arvind Kashyap's picturisation are good choices and gel well with the director's vision. *Hero*, in essence, is a comedy filled with love, pain, anger, doubt, and hope. Enjoy it while it lasts.

Rashmika Mandanna joins the shoot of *Mission Majnu* in Lucknow

CE FEATURES

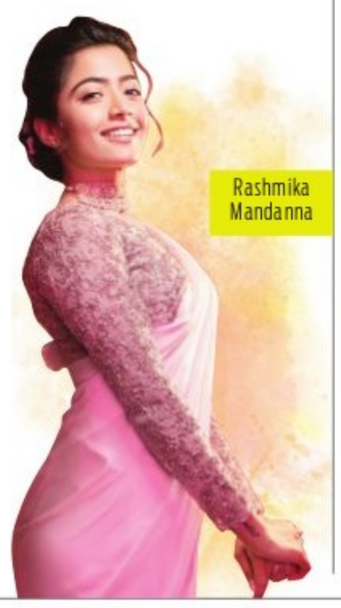
Rashmika Mandanna has joined the shoot of *Mission Majnu* in Lucknow. The espionage thriller is fronted by Sidharth Malhotra. The film went on floors last month.

Rashmika essays a pivotal role in the film that chronicles the journey of a RAW agent who heads India's covert operation on Pakistani soil.

About kicking off the shoot, Rashmika says, "Mission Majnu has given me the opportunity of feeling the nervousness, excitement and butterflies of a debutante all over again. I am thrilled to be a part of such amazing content and I am really looking forward to this exciting journey with RSVP, Guilty By Association, Siddharth, Shantanu and the entire team."

Ronnie Screwvala, Producer, RSVP says, "We welcome Rashmika aboard and we're glad to have kicked off the Lucknow schedule as planned. I think the audience will be thrilled to watch her debut with an espionage thriller. It is a story set in an era that saw intriguing developments in the world of espionage and Rashmika will lend freshness to the story."

Mission Majnu is produced by Ronnie Screwvala (RSVP) and Amar Butala and Garima Mehta (Guilty By Association Media). It is written by Parveez Shaikh, Aseem Arrora and Sumit Batheja and directed by Shantanu Baagchi.



Rashmika Mandanna

Fast & Furious 9 pushed to June 25

CE FEATURES

The ninth instalment of the *Fast & Furious* franchise will be hitting the theatres on June 25. Vin Diesel shared the new release date of the film via teaser he posted on Instagram. Directed by Justin Lin, *F9* also features wrestler-turned-actor John Cena, Michelle Rodriguez, Tyrese Gibson, Chris Jordana Brewster, Nathalie Emmanuel, Sung Kang, Helen Mirren, and Charlize Theron.

F9 was originally scheduled to release globally last May, but Universal Pictures pushed the project to April 2, 2021 and then to May 28, 2021, due to coronavirus pandemic.

Fatima Sana Shaikh to star in *Aruvi* Hindi remake

CE FEATURES

Fatima Sana Shaikh will star in the Hindi remake of Aruvi. The 2017 Tamil film starred Aditi Balan in the lead role. It told the story of a young girl's rebellion against consumerism and misogyny.

The Hindi remake will be helmed by E Niwas, who has directed films like *Shool and Love Ke Liye Kuch Bhi Karega*.

"I look forward to dive deep into the skin of the character. I am really excited to embark on this journey," Fatima said.

Niwas shared, "*Aruvi* is not just a story of a hero. It's a triumph over the labyrinths of life. It's totally euphoric, and a privilege to explore one of the most beautiful cinematic characters I have come across."

Fatima Sana Shaikh

DISNEY RETURNS WITH ANOTHER CLASSIC

GOPINATH RAJENDRAN

When the live-action adaptation of *Mulan* dropped in theatres last year, it failed to appeal to fans of the original film like me. While the lack of songs was a dealbreaker for Mouse House purists, the absence of the witty Chinese Dragon Mushu was another nail in the coffin. So I was looking forward to what Disney would do with the mythical creature in *Raya and the Last Dragon*. Expectations can be dangerous and I often let them get the better of me. But now that I've watched it, I can say the dragon and the film as a whole, surpassed all expectations with flying colours.

The premise that sets up the events is anything but unique. The fictional world of Kumandra is made up of five different landmasses named Fang, Talon, Tail, Spine, and Heart, and they come together conveniently to form the shape of — you guessed it — a dragon. When the people of these five kingdoms fight for the much treasured Dragon Gem, they inadvertently break it. Unluckily for them, the gem's magic is the only force that stops a plague called Druun that terrorised them a few centuries back. During that time, the dragons who coexisted with humans, sacrificed themselves to make the Dragon Gem. Without it, pandora's box is now left open and the plague, which turns lifeforms into stone at a rate that would put Medusa to shame, returns. It's up to the Heart Land princess Raya (voiced by a brilliant Kelly Marie Tran) to track down the last surviving dragon, Sisu (Awkwafina at her goofiest best) to save humanity.

Once the world-building ends, the film takes a course unlike those we've seen in previous Disney films. If the young girl had gone on an adventure all alone to retrieve something, that would've just been a rehash of Moana and other such titles. *Raya and the Last Dragon*, however, is another step forward for Disney Princesses, who are no more damsels-in-distress who exist just to find their one true love. Instead, trust forms the core of the film, with Raya and Sisu at the opposite ends. The last time Raya trusted someone, it caused a cascading effect leading to the return of the Druun. On the other hand, Sisu was witness to the trust of the other dragons that sacrificed themselves to create the gem. Throw in a bunch of wacky characters and we have the mini equivalent of Marvel's Avengers — a group who have all been affected by a common enemy and are forced to team up to fight for the greater good.

Strong character building in a short span of time for pivotal characters is right up Disney's alley. But directors Don Hall and Carlos López Estrada take it up a notch here and do something that many Hollywood bigwigs fail at — develop multiple characters in less than two hours. While revealing anything about these additional characters would impair the joy of actually experiencing them, it's safe to say, after Moana and now Raya, new-age Disney princesses don't have to go solo on their missions.

Sisu is easily one of, if not the, most fun-loving and entertaining dragons in all the fictitious lands. She's also the first dragon I know of who follows a strict skin regime. The wackiness of Sisu is contagious and despite treading a thin line between enjoyable and obnoxious, Awkwafina manages to make Sisu one of the most memorable animated characters. Equally formidable is Tran's Raya. Unlike many of her predecessors, she's a trained fighter but still has the Disney Princess DNA that's replete with love, honour, bravery, and most importantly, sorrow. The loss of kin has been a prime theme not just in Disney films involving princesses, but also others like The Lion King and Finding Nemo.

After 1998's Mulan introduced the first-ever Asian Disney Princess, this film is the studio's effort to represent Southeast Asia. But amusingly, apart from Tran, most of the voice actors are from East Asia. This comes after the studio was criticised just a year ago for having a production team largely comprised of white people for the live-action adaptation of *Mulan*. Visually though, the film captures the true essence of Southeast Asia and vividly showcases the different landscapes. The visual spectacle is unlike anything we've seen in recent times. The VFX clarity in elements like water and rain, and the way physics is not taken for granted in the fight scenes, are reasons enough to go to your nearest theatres.

This film has everything we love and expect from a Disney film. The animation is the best to date, the characters are well fleshed out, the fight scenes are jaw-dropping, and the film overall feels like a tightly packed bag of goodies that is sure to surprise you with something new every time you dip into it. Though the experiment at diversity is not as satisfying as in previous attempts like Moana or Coco, Disney pulls another magic trick with *Raya and the Last Dragon* that is sure to entertain both the child seated next to you and the one inside you.